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Clinton residents oppose Rogers Estate conversion

By Gabriel Meyer '96
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Hamilton College's plan to convert the recently acquired Rogers Estate into a residence hall has come under fire from Clinton residents. In a March 16 public hearing held before the Town Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), several neighbors living near the estate and a lawyer representing them, argued that the College should be denied the variance required to convert the former homestead into a residence hall.

This recent action may delay the opening of the Rogers Estate to students, currently set for next fall. A final decision regarding the variance is pending.

Among the objections raised at the ZBA hearing were fears that the newly-converted residence hall would create unacceptable noise levels and an increased traffic volume on Bristol Road.

These fears are unfounded, says Hamilton's Director of Physical Plant Art Jewett. He noted that the Rogers Estate, which occupies 61 acres of land, is a quarter-mile away from the nearest the residence. In addition, he said, the College plans to build an access road, linking the Estate directly to the College.

Traffic levels on Bristol Road are not expected to increase, as the existing driveway leading to the road will be closed.

Jewett, who attended the March 16 hearing said of neighbors' concerns, "They were afraid [the Rogers Estate] might become fraternity-type housing."

In the past, some local residence have complained about the noise levels from fraternities, particularly when large parties are held.

The Rogers Estate will house 22 students as well as guests of the College. It is not expected to be the site of any major parties.

Acquired by the College a year ago, the Rogers Estate is one of sev-

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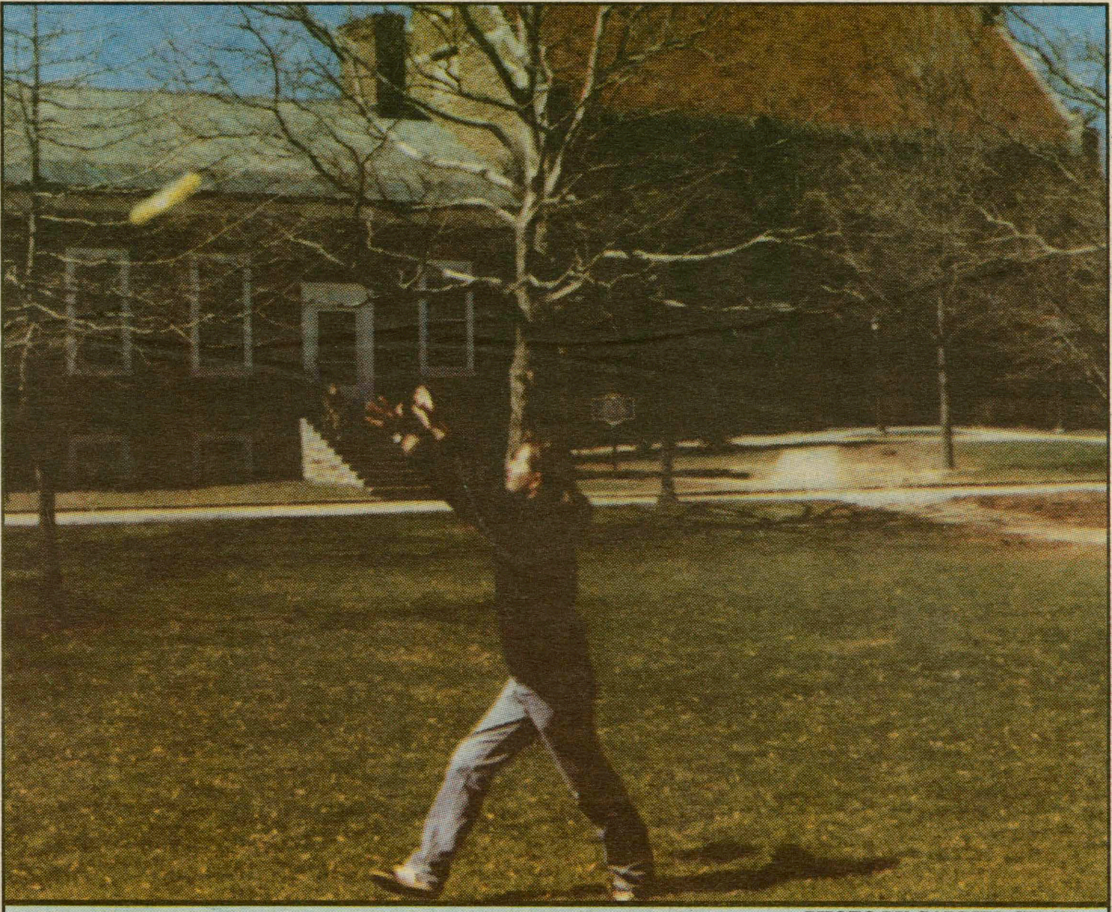

PHOTO BY GABRIEL CID '97

Spring made an early return to the Hill this week as temperatures climbed toward 60 degrees. Here, Melinda Cramer '97 plays frisbee on the Commons Quad.

Hamilton ponders microbrewery concept

Opinions of $75,000 facility range from "cutting-edge" to "ridiculous"

By Joe November '97
News Staff Writer

One of the latest trends in America is the reemergence of the microbrewery - a place that produces high-quality beer rather than high quantities of beer while at the same time maintaining a coffeehouse-like social atmosphere. Hamilton College, in its quest to provide new social options, wants to join the bandwagon and create its very own microbrewery.

If the school goes ahead and includes the proposed microbrewery as part of the Pub which is to be built in the near future, the College will possess something truly unique. According to Dean of Students Jan Coates, Hamilton would be the only college she knows of to possess its own microbrewery. She also described the installation of a such a microbrewery as "cutting-edge" due to both its uniqueness and trendiness.

It has been emphasized that the proposed microbrewery will be part of the future pub. With its own brewery, the Pub would gain "personality" and supposedly be more attractive to customers. Other draws for the new Pub which may also include a dance floor, a recreational area, and weekly concerts.

The location of the Pub, and the microbrewery within it has been the subject of some debate. Currently, the proposed location for the Pub is the Bundy Dining Hall but the idea of it being on the periphery of campus causes some concern. For instance, several first-years proposed the idea of relocating the Pub to the more central location of the old mail center.

While some want the Pub to be in a central location, others want it to be as far away from the center of campus as possible so that it will be more private and it will not offend students who do not want to use it.

The cost of building the proposed microbrewery is estimated at a minimum of $75,000. This is needed to cover the expenses of manufacturing one type of brew. Assistant Professor of Chemistry George Raiche, who served on the Residential Life Committee, said of the cost, "It is cheaper for us to make our own beer [at the Pub] than it is for us to buy it and then resell it."

If the school decides to manufacture more than one type of beer, possibly including a non-alcoholic brew, the costs would increase considerably. Although the school would sponsor the microbrewery, the responsibility of actually running the operation would be given to a private brewing company.

Reaction to the proposed microbrewery includes a broad spectrum of opinions. While many Hamiltonians look forward to seeing a microbrewery built on campus, a great deal of people dislike the idea for a variety of reasons.

Many students view the brewery as an attempt by the school to appease them for drastic reduction in drinking space starting next year due to the removal of private society housing and tough alcohol restrictions. In many instances students and faculty felt that having a microbrewery on campus was a bit excessive or ridiculous. One student described the establishment of a microbrewery on campus as something of a paradox, "First the school frowns on student drinking. . . then it goes ahead and wants to manufacture beer on campus!"

Admissions prepares to send acceptance letters, rejections

Acceptance rate falls dramatically

By Joe Saponaro '96
News Staff Writer

Prospective Hamilton students will be receiving letters of admission or rejection pretty soon and by May 1, the Admission Office will know who has chosen to join the Class of 1999.

Dean of Admission and Financial Aid Rit Fuller appeared pleased with this year's results. Admission Office statistics show that about 3645 applications, the most since 1990, were received. The number of applications have increased 16 percent in the last two years. Hamilton accepted only 46 percent of those who applied, as compared to 51 percent last year and 56 percent in 1993.

Fuller expressed optimism for the incoming class and explained that the selectivity of the admitted population was higher than in previous years, citing an improved SAT score average, a near 50/50 male/female ratio, and the higher quality of applicants.

ISC lifts ban on week night fraternity parties

By Matt Nolan '98
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With little over a month and a half left in the 1994-95 academic year the Inter-Society Council (ISC) rescinded its ban on week night private society parties. The move allows the fraternities to utilize their houses for week-night parties once again, ending the restriction that the council had enacted last fall. The council cited the fact that as a result of the outcome of the recently concluded Residential Life Study, privates societies will soon lose their ability to throw parties spontaneously as they have in the past.

The council referred to the restrictions placed on weeknight fraternity parties as an attempt to promote a stronger academic atmosphere on the hill. Many saw the move as politically motivated, an attempt to win leniency in light of the approaching release of the Resi-

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The Spectator goes to the White House

College Media Day draws students from across the nation

PHOTO BY GABRIEL MEYER '96

President Bill Clinton addressed student journalists during an afternoon press conference in the White House's East Room.

PHOTO BY GABRIEL MEYER '96

Attorney General Janet Reno spoke to students and answered questions during a morning briefing.

By The News Editors

More than 150 student journalists from colleges and universities across the nation attended College Media Day at the White House on Thursday, March 23. The day-long event included a press conference with President Bill Clinton as well as meetings with other key administration members, including Attorney General Janet Reno and Secretary of Labor Robert Reich.

Spectator Editor-in-Chief Gabriel Meyer '96 was among those in attendance. Associate Sports Editor Trip MacCracken '96 helped organize College Media Day last fall as a White House intern while he took part in Hamilton's Washington Semester program.

During the hour long afternoon press conference in the White House's East Room, Clinton spoke at length on the issues of affirmative action and student loan programs, while touching on a wide variety of other topics, ranging from health care reform to the widening income gap. He noted that affirmative action programs, most of which have come under attack recently by the Republican Congress, are the subject of an ongoing White House review.

"I want. . . to see that everyone gets the best chance to live up to the fullest of their abilities," Clinton said. "On the other hand, it is in no one's interest to see that people get positions if they're completely unqualified to hold them."

He chastised Republican efforts to cut aid for higher education and eliminate public service innitiatives including the AmeriCorps program. Considered highly successful by many, AmeriCorps employs young Americans in community work programs in return for educational aid.

"I don't believe we need to trade in our future for what is a pittling amount on the deficit," Clinton said in opposition to Republicans' proposed eductional funding cuts.

Addressing one student's question on skills needed for hopeful politicians, he said, "You have to be able to imagine what life is like for other people who are very different from you, and you have to be willing to invest some time in listening to those people."

Following the press conference, students gathered in a receiving line to wait their turns to meet the president and have their photos taken with him. A presidential aid later remarked that the Clinton had thoroughly enjoyed the press conference, more so than those with the Washington press corps, in which questions are often badgering and pointed.

News Briefs

Hamilton mourns loss of two professors

Two Hamilton professors passed away during recent weeks. Professor Emeritus of Biology Lawrence R. McManus, who served for nearly 25 years on the Hamilton faculty beginning in 1960, died on March 24. William A. Jamison, who joined the Kirkland College faculty as as an Associate Professor of English in 1970 before later becoming Hamilton's first Director of Personnel and Special Programs, died on March 21. The College community will be advised of memorial services as information becomes available.

The Board of Trustees announces fees for 1995-96

The Board of Trustees recently announced fees for the new academic year of 1995-96. The tuition charges will climb to $20,700 from $19,700 in the current year. Room and full board plan charges will increase from $2,550 to $2,650 and from $2,500 to $2,600 respectively. The comprehensive cost of attending Hamilton next year will be $25,950, which represents a 4.8 percent increase from the current cost of $24,750.

The 4.8 percent increase represents the lowest annual percentage increase in 20 years. In 1974-75, tuition and fees increased by 4.6 percent.

"In setting the fees for next year," President Eugene M. Tobin said, "the trustees sought to balance the college's ability to continue providing one of the nation's best liberal arts educations with the financial constraints faced by many of our students and their families. Our goal has been to protect the integrity of our programs, while remaining affordable to our current and future students."

Eight faculty members receive tenure

The College Board of Trustees has approved tenure for the following eight faculty members : Ann Silversmith, physics; Hong Gand Jin, Chinese; Katheryn Doran, philosophy; Karen Brewer, chemistry; Paula Rust, sociology; Thomas Wilson and Maureen Miller, history; and Christophre Georges, economics. All the eight faculty members will also be promoted from assistant to associate professors, effective July 1.

Don't forget to set your watches an hour ahead Saturday night. Daylight Savings Time is almost here!

Judicial Board hearing results from beginning of Spring Semester to date

I write to make the community aware of disciplinary cases that have been handled through administrative or Judicial Board hearings since the end of the fall semester.

Forgery of advisor's signature.
A student who forged an advisor's signature on a drop/add form was found responsible for the charge of forgery of an academic document and was issued a formal warning.

Underage possession of alcohol.
A student found responsible for possession of alcohol as a minor and hosting a gathering at which minors were in possession of alcohol placed on a status of probation for one and a half semesters. The student who organized the same event was found responsible for possession of alcohol as a minor and serving alcohol to minors and was placed on a status of probation for two and half semesters.

Fire extinguisher vandalism.
A student who discharged a fire extinguisher unnecessarily was found responsible for tampering with fire safety equipment and engaging in actions that endanger the health and safety of others. The student was issued a formal warning, and required to make restitution and perform community service.

False fire alarm.
A student who activated a false fire alarm was found responsible for tampering with fire safety equipment and engaging in actions that endanger the health and safety others. The student was placed on a status of probation through May 1995 and required to write letters of apology to the Resident Advisor and building residents.

Hooliganism at hockey game.
Students who threw objects onto the ice during a hockey game were found responsible for engaging in actions that physically obstruct or disrupt the use of College premises and were placed on a status of warning through May 1995.

Aiding and abetting.
A student was found responsible for aiding and abetting others in the use of marijuana in a residence hall room and failure to comply with the request of a College official after being confronted by an RA who smelled marijuana in the room. The student was placed on a status of probation through the spring of 1996 and required to perform community service.

Marijuana possession.
A student found responsible for possession of marijuana was placed on a status of probation for two and a half semesters.

Marijuana possession.
A student found responsible for possession and use of marijuana was placed on a status of probation for two and a half semesters and required to complete a research paper on the physiological and psychological effects of marijuana use.

Campus vandalism.
A student on a status of probation for a prior violation was found responsible for willfully damaging College property after breaking several residence hall windows. The student was suspended from the College for the duration of the semester and will be on a status of probation for two semesters upon returning to Hamilton.

Violence.
A student on a status of probation for a prior violation was found responsible for the charge of use of physical force or violence and was suspended from the College for an indefinite period.

Todd Moore '95
Judicial Board Chair

News from other Ivory Towers

--compiled by Nahid Rahman '96

$15 million suit filed against Colgate University

Colgate junior Robert Howard filed a 15 million dollars civil action suit, naming as defendants the University, members of the administration and the campus newspaper *Colgate Maroon-News*, on March 10.

The suit claims that multiple violations of Howard's legal rights took place during the investigation of an alleged rape case last year. Howard, who is black, was accused of raping a white female student on campus last spring, but was ultimately found not responsible by the University. Howard's claims include the violation of his fourth and fourteenth amendment rights, which the case states are the right to due process and the right to equal protection under the law, respectively.

The suit claims that Colgate has historically pursued "sanctions against male students accused of rape by female students in disproportion to other such disciplinary matters," and that minority students have been prosecuted at a greater rate than white students in such sexual misconduct cases. *(Colgate Maroon-News)*

Yale turns down $20 million grant from a billionaire alum

Yale University recently announced that it would return a $20 million grant, which was intended to fund an intensive course in Western civilization. Yale's decision to return the gift made by Lee Bass '79 came nearly four years after it was first announced in April 1991.

At the forefront of Yale's decision to return the gift was Bass' request that he have the right to approve the program's professors. His request came in response to the length of time that it took to mount the program, according to Yale College Dean Richard Brodhead. While Gary Fryer, director of public information at Yale, admitted that Bass' concern was "totally understandable" given the extensive delay, he said that giving a donor veto power over professor appointments was "simply unheard of." With this unprecedented request by Bass looming over the grant, Fryer said that Yale had no choice but to return the gift. "We would never accept a gift with that condition," he said. *(The Yale Herald)*

Rector of ethnic university in Macedonia faces prison

Fadil Sulejmani, rector of the ethnic Albanian University of Tetovo (Macedonia) is in custody facing charges of incitement to resist the police. The charges carry a prison sentence of between one and five years. Four other members of the university's governing body face criminal charges. On the advice of ethnic Albanian leaders, tuition has been halted at the new university, whose existence, say the Macedonian authorities, contravenes the constitution.

The pro-rector, Murtezan Ismaili, has appealed to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), recalling that the Geneva peace conference on former Yugoslavia had focused on the issue of native-tongue higher education for ethnic Albanians.

Following this meeting, the high commissioner urged that the issue of the university should be discussed "within a framework of preparations for a law on university studies." The Macedonian authorities however continue to insist that the university must be suppressed while the Albanian community leaders say they will never "abandon" it. *(The Times Higher Education Supplement)*

Hungarian students protest tuition fees

An estimated 20,000 Hungarian college students protested across Hungary recently against the government's plan to introduce an $18-per-month tuition fee. About 10,000 banner-waving students marched through the streets of the capital Budapest to the finance ministry, where they presented their demands to Finance Minister Lajos Bokros.

They want the government to reverse its plans to start charging the tuition fee this fall. The tuition is part of sweeping austerity measures that include steep cuts in family support payments and a sharp devaluation of the Hungarian currency forint. About 20 percent of Hungary's students fall into a low income category, and won't have to pay the fee. The government says the rest of the country's students should do their part to help Hungary reduce its budget deficit. *(Central Europe Today (CET) Online)*

Brown bagged!

Federal Judge Raymond S. Pettine of the United States District Court in Providence ruled that Brown University violated Title IX when they eliminated the women's gymnastics and volleyball programs in 1991. This decision will have significant impact upon athletic programs at universities across the nation.

Many schools may have to even out the number of intercollegiate sports offered to men and women to prevent discrimination. Judge Pettine stated that "far more male athletes are being supported at the university varsity level than are female athletes, and thus, women receive less benefit from their inter-collegiate varsity program as a whole than do men."

Brown's athletic program is comprised of only 40% women. Brown plans on appealing the decision on the grounds that Title IX applies to discrimination in education and that it does not call for quotas. *(New York Times)*

News Briefs from around the World

--compiled by Ralitsa Petkova '98

Seven EU nations form passport-free zone

Last Sunday, 7 of the 15 European Union members formally dismantled border controls between their countries, allowing travelers to journey without showing passports. The move affects travel between Belgium, France, Germany, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal and Spain.

In part, the convention merely confirms practices that have evolved as the EU developed. Travelers between Germany and the Netherlands, for instance, already crossed land borders without controls.

The most vocal opponent of the idea is Britain, which argues that the agreement will make it much simpler for unlawful job-seekers and criminals to criss-cross Europe.

Bosnian offensive draws U.N. warning

Last Monday, the United Nations threatened air strikes in Bosnia as the Bosnian Government pursued a week long offensive and Bosnian Serb forces responded by shelling towns including Sarajevo.

Colum Murphy, a senior spokesman for the U.N. peacekeeping forces in Bosnia, said that the deliberate targeting of civilians in the U.N. "safe areas" such as Tuzla and Sarajevo would meet a resolute response from the U.N. forces, including the use of air power.

The United Nations and NATO have said they will work together to protect six Bosnian Government-held areas in Bosnia. But NATO still has not received an indication from the U.N. of any request to use force in Bosnia. Western, and particularly American, political pressure to use NATO air force has evaporated.

Merger to create the world's largest bank

Last Tuesday, two of Japan's financial giants, the Bank of Tokyo and the Mitsubishi Bank, announced that they planned a merger that will create the world's largest bank. With about $819 billion in assets, the new bank would be about a third larger than the Sumitomo Bank, now the biggest, and more than three times the size of Citicorp, the largest in the U.S.

Some experts see this deal as the forerunner of other large combinations of Japanese banks, many of which are looking for new capital or a strategic alliance to help them compete.

Analysts said that the merger would have little impact on banking and trading markets outside of Japan reasoning that Japanese banks are not as influential as are big European and American banks.

However, the merger could have some impact on consumers and small businesses in California, where Mitsubishi and the Bank of Tokyo each own medium-sized banks based in San Francisco.

U.S. backs away from Turkey

The White House has softened its support for Turkey's offensive against Kurdish rebels in northern Iraq after the 15-nation European Union condemned Turkey and after some members of Congress criticized Turkey's actions. The Administration's support for the offensive diminished in light of reports that Turkish troops bombed some civilians and that Turkey wanted to establish a permanent buffer zone in northern Iraq. The Secretary of State, Warren Christopher, sent a message to the Turkish Prime Minister, Tancu Ciller, telling about U.S. concerns that Turkish troops had committed human rights violations and that Turkey is planning a long stay in Iraq.

Nations oppose U.S. position on oil embargo against Libya

A world-wide embargo on Libyan oil proposed by the United States would be difficult to impose, according to oil industry executives citing opposition by Libya's major customers, Italy, Germany and France, as well as by a number of Arab allies of the United States.

Italy, Germany and Spain are big purchasers of Libyan oil, a light variety much favored because of its proximity to Mediterranean markets and the ease of refining it into gasoline and other products.

Tunisia and Morroco are also unlikely to follow Washington's lead since they have often complained of the financial impact that the current sanctions on Libya have had on all North African economies.

Arab diplomats said several leading Arab nations closely allied with the United States, including Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, would also discourage using oil embargo to further punish Libya.

Sources : *The New York Times*

Weekend Weather

Saturday: Fair and cold. High in the 30's. Low near 20.

Sunday: Chance of rain or snow. Low 25. High near 40.

National News Briefs

--compiled by Scott Kocher '97

Iraq detains two Americans

Two American defense contractors were sentenced to eight years in an Iraqi prison Saturday for illegally crossing into the country from Kuwait. US officials hope they can gain the prisoners' release through "quiet" diplomatic channels. Earlier last week Secretary of State Warren Christopher asked French and Russian officials to help pressure Saddam Hussein, who may use the incident as he tries to convince the UN to lift sanctions on Iraq. Two years ago, US officials won an early release of another American sentenced in a similar incident.

Term limits defeated in House

A Constitutional amendment for term limits became the first item in the Republicans' Contract with America to be voted against in the House. Although polls showed that the idea of term limits has broad popular support among Americans, many members of Congress do not favor the proposal. Henry J. Hyde, Republican of Illinois, refered to the term limits proposal as "a dumbing down of democracy," and Bill Richardson, Democrat of New Mexico, mentioned that "we've already got term limits—they're called elections." Nevertheless, many Americans feel that the proposal would reduce gridlock and quell powerful special interests.

Affirmative action debate heats up

Begun as a move by the Kennedy administration to eliminate discrimination, "affirmative action" has grown to include a wide range of steps taken by colleges, corporations, and government agencies to help minorities and women. According to a recent Newsweek poll, 75% of Americans think that qualified blacks should not receive preference over equally qualified whites in getting into college or getting jobs. But while most Republicans are fervently against the measure, the Democratic party has been plagued by opposing views in its ranks. The issue is likely to increasinly become a central issue in the political arena.

Philadelphia transit comes to a screeching halt

A strike by the transit workers on Wednesday brought Philadelphia's subways, buses and trolleys to a halt, forcing 350,000 people to find new ways to travel aroung the nation's fifth-largest city. The Transport Workers Union rejected an offered 7 percent raise over three years. The union is seeking a 3 percent raise each year, as well as greater pension benefits. Many commuters who were affected by the strike saw no justification for it, and claimed that they should not have to suffer for the failed wage agreement.

Sources: *New York Times, Associated Press, Newsweek*

Rogers Estate becomes subject of zoning ordinance dispute as College plans to convert homestead into residence hall

PHOTO BY GABRIEL CID '97

Renovation work is yet to begin of the Rogers Estate which is the subject of a zoning ordinace dispute.

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eral structures being converted into a residence hall as part of an effort to provide space for students who presently live off campus or in fraternity houses. The results of the recently concluded Residential Life Study mandate that all students must live in College-owned housing.

Zoning ordinances at issue

In a document submitted to the ZBA, attorney E. Porter Felt argued that there is "no legal justification" for the granting of a variance needed for conversion into a residence hall, based upon existing zoning ordinances. Felt is representing one local family in its effort to prevent Hamilton from converting the Rogers Estate.

The Rogers Estate falls under Section R20-1 of the Town of Kirkland Zoning Schedule. This section permits property to be used for a "one family dwelling residence, church, school, park or playground, golf course, home occupation, hospital, clinic, municipal or public building, [or] public utility."

Felt also stated in the document, "We... assume that anyone familiar with dormitory life would agree that the placing of students in a dormitory situation in a piece of property that has always been a single family residence would certainly alter the essential character of the locality..."

Neighbors have expressed concern that their property might decline in value due to its proximity to a college dormitory.

However, Attorney Robert Bankert, who represented Phillip Rogers in the sale of the estate to Hamilton, said, "I do not think it would be a risk in view of the distance of the facility from neighbors."

Property taxes in question

Concerns have also been raised regarding the removal of the Rogers Estate from local property tax rolls. As a non-profit institution, Hamilton does not pay taxes on property it owns.

"We intend to maintain our commitment to the community," said President Eugene Tobin who noted that the College pays $200,000 annually in county and school taxes.

He said he hopes to meet with town officials and local residents to resolve the issue.

"We're going to do everything possible to ensure that our plans move forward expeditiously," he said.

Though renovation work has not yet begun an at the Rogers Estate, work is already underway at the Saunders House, one of several other facilities being converted into a residence hall as result of the Residential Life Study.

Vandals spray paint Beinecke Village wall

Culprits remain unidentified

By Geoff Millar '98
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An epithet directed at Hamilton College president Eugene Tobin was spraypainted on an exterior wall of the Beinecke Village on Tuesday morning, March 28. The phrase "Tobin Likes Farm Animals" was painted along the north outside wall on the side of the village that houses the diner and the mail center. It was done in black spraypaint, in letters that were approximately between ten and sixteen inches tall.

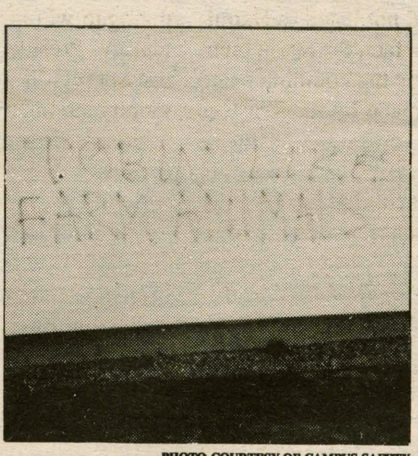

PHOTO COURTESY OF CAMPUS SAFETY

Director of Campus Safety Patricia Ingalls said that she believes the vandalism was done between 2:15 and 2:30 am Tuesday morning. Physical Plant began repainting the vandalized area shortly after 8 am Tuesday morning.

Ingalls said that while most of the campus did not saw the vandalism, several students who were in the area at the time were questioned. However, none of those students had any information that was of help to the ongoing investigation. The cost to repaint the vandalized area was approximately $140. It will be added to general student damages.

Weekend conference to address current situations in Haiti and Bosnia

Panel to include Bosnian deputy ambassador and two Linowitz professors

By Meghan Hallock '98
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The Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center and the Hamilton College Department of Government will sponsor a conference on *Confronting Chaos: U.S. Intervention in Bosnia and Haiti* this Saturday, April 1. Professor of Government Alan Cafruny, the primary organizer of the event, feels that the issues being discussed are the, "crucial issues of our time."

The conference will be broken into two sessions. The first session will run from 9-11:30 am in the Science Auditorium. Its subject will be "US Military Intervention in Haiti:Success or Failure?" The session will be moderated by Samuel Lewis, Linowitz Professor of International Affairs and the Former US Ambassador to Israel.

Lewis, currently serving as the Linowitz professor at Hamilton this semester, will be joined by two other distinguished speakers. Lawrence Pezzullo, former Special Advisor on Haiti to President Clinton and former Ambassador to Nicaragua and Uraguay, will be speaking on "Haiti: A Policy Failure in the Post-Cold War Era." Speaking about "The United States, Aristide and the Future of Haitian Politics", will be Robert Fatton, a Professor of Government and Foreign Affairs at the University of Virginia.

Cafruny states that the key analysis with the Haiti discussion will be the relative merits and demerits of the US policy, including military intervention. This is a crucial moment for the US, as President Clinton travels to Haiti today, and tomorrow, April 1, being the day set for the transition from US miltary presence to a United Nations peacekeeping force.

He argues that since the Vietnam Conflict the main question facing US foreign policy has been with the political left's opposition to intervention. The Left's arguments have centered around intervention being a form of cultural and political imperialism. However, he suggests that the situation now may be very different and that under certain circumstances military intervention in Bosnia and Haiti may be warranted.

With the current conflicts this debate has been sharply brought to the forefront. Tomorrow's discussion will flesh out many concerns and issues. Cafruny states that "It is very important to have fresh thinking about US Foreign Policy." With the distinguished people involved in these discussions, new views will be brought forth.

The second session will be in the afternoon, from 1-4pm, and also is located in the Science Auditorium. The session will be entitled "The United States and the War in Bosnia." Cafruny will chair that session. Joining him will be numerous speakers including Ivan Misic, the Deputy Ambassador from Bosnia to the United Nations. Chuck Sudetic, the Balkan Correspondent for The New York Times, will speak about "Strolling through the Cross-Hair: The Pyschology of Despair in Sarajevo." Bogdan Denitch, a Professor of Sociology with the City University of New York will speak on "The Responsibility of the West". Joining the panel will be upcoming Linowitz Professor for next fall semester, Richard Haass. Haass is a Senior Fellow on the Council on Foreign Relations and will provide a commentary.

Cafruny, who has personal interest in the Bosnian War after working with refugees and humanitarian efforts while in Italy, contends that "The war in Bosnia is a microcosm of a much broader set of issues in Europe and it helps illustrate the resurgance of facism in Europe with Greater Serbia being the most violent and dangerous movement at the present time." Also, like the Haiti situation, This is a crucial time period in the Balkans. April 1 is the day the ceasefire the former President Jimmy Carter negotiated in January of this year. While the ceasefire has been a shaky one, with sporadic fighting that has intensified within the past two weeks, its expiration brings many questions.

The fact that the conference features two Linowitz professors is, as Cafruny says, "An exciting oppurtunity for students to take advantage of their Hamilton experience." The Linowitz professors are chosen by Sol Linowitz, an alumnus of Hamilton who endows the chair, in conjunction with President Tobin and the Government Department.

Next year, Hamilton will see a more personal side of the Bosnian Conflict. Through the Fellowship of Reconciliation, a Moslem organization that is dedicated to getting Bosnian students out of the war zone, a 21 year old student from Bosnia named Amela Porca will be attending Hamilton next fall. Porca works as an ambulance translator in Zenica, an area of Bosnia that had seen a lot of strife but is now in control. She also had her own radio program in Bosnia. Cafruny is excited about her arrival in August and feels that the Admission Office, and Admissions Dean Rit Fuller, have been very supportive in the efforts to bring Porca to Hamilton.

Survey played key role in outcome of the Residential Life Study

By Jacob Stetser '98
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One of the challenges made against the Report of the Committee on Residential Life and the committee's decisions was levied by John Haeussler '98, who charged that the Hamilton College Board of Trustees and the Committee on Residential Life did not listen to Hamilton students. In fact, the recommendations made by the committee and the decisions made by the Trustees were based in part on the results of the comprehensive Residential Life Survey, in which students, faculty and some graduates participated during the spring of 1994.

The Residential Life Survey, which included prospective and admitted students who chose not to attend Hamilton, was administered by Dehne & Associates, a consulting firm that specializes in higher education. The Report indicates that the survey revealed that Hamilton was "losing many of the best students in its applicant pool to comparable institutions." and that, "interviews with non-matriculating applicants . . . revealed patterns of disapproval of social life at Hamilton, particularly among top female applicants..."

The results of the Survey showed that forty-five percent of inquiring students, for various reasons, did not like private societies at colleges, and almost half of those students did not like selective organizations or felt that fraternities divided the campus, emphasized alcohol too much. Another ten percent of all applicants did not care about fraternities. Of those students who wanted private societies at colleges, only two percent percent felt they provided opportunities for leadership or community service, while thirty-three percent of supporters preferred colleges with private societies because they "are fun," or are "the only place to party."

Kevin Kennedy, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, stressed "There is no way to directly connect the two [the Res. Life Survey and the Trustee's decision]," because the changes being wrought as a result of the Residential Life Study are a result of three studies and twenty years of dialogue within the Hamilton community. President Tobin added that the Survey, in part, asked the community "to imagine a different set of options." He concurred with Chairman Kennedy, agreeing that there were many factors in the making of the decision, including the Survey.

There are many parallels, however, between the Survey and the new residential focus of small-group living arrangements. Students felt that several of the major benefits of fraternity life included access to food and kitchen (84% felt this very important), able to live with friends (83%), space for informal gatherings (82%), and self-governance (81%). During the announcement early this month, Kennedy mentioned the new houses would have access to kitchens and open spaces or living rooms. Moreover, the Report recommends the development of Residence Hall Councils, to "increase student involvement and self-determination in their living areas, and further develop community within the residence halls."

Such desires as increased contact with faculty, a more flexible meal plan, renovations of older dormitories, an on-campus pub, big-name events, among others, were investigated by the Survey and addressed in more detail by the Study. Anyone who wishes to look over the Survey may find it on reserve in Burke Library.

In the wake of Res. Life Study announcement, work gets underway

Construction crews begin work on Saunders House, TDX House

By Jacob Stetser '98
Associate News Editor

Only a few weeks after the the College announced a sweeping Residential Life decision, construction crews and committees are hard at work. To insure that the many facets of the decision will be sorted out and all the residence houses ready for the fall, the changes are being discussed and acted upon day and night.

As many people have witnessed, the college computer network is progressing in web-like sprawls across campus, and college officials say that all of the residence halls will be wired by the beginning of next fall, including the new houses.

Renovation has begun on the Sylvia Saunders house, as well as on the former TDX house, 3950 College Hill. Work will begin on the Farmhouse at the beginning of the summer, because some faculty and administration inhabit the building currently. The Rogers Estate is currently embroiled in a minor controversy with the Township of Kirkland, but otherwise, President Tobin says, "everything is moving along as planned." Tobin and others will soon be meeting with John Karin, the Supervisor of the Township of Kirkland.

A plethora of committees have been formed as a result of the decision, including the On Campus Pub Committee, the Renovation of Social Spaces Committee, the Big Name Events Committee, as well committees for the Common Meal Program, Orientation, Academic Advising, and the Integration of Academic and Residential Life, along with quite a few others. Tobin and the College hope to "bring students into the entire process," through the committees and through Interest Groups, which are discussions groups for those who are particularly interested in a certain facet of the Res Life changes but who are not on committees.

The college has brought in, with the permission of the private societies, an outside appraiser and have pledged to offer the fair market value for the societies' houses. Tobin expressed hope that some of them could be bought soon so that the college could begin work on them as soon as possible.

Tobin spent the entirety of Spring Break attending alumni gatherings across the country, in cities including San Francisco, Los Angeles, Chicago, Boston, and Greenwich, Conn. He commented that the reaction was good; there were large turnouts and many questions. Alumni response to the Res Life decision, he added, included a "variety of responses and emotions." He says there has been a tremendous amount of support but he has also seen much anger and frustration. The college has received dozens of letters, phone calls, and faxes on all sides of the issue.

Week night party ban ends, decision expected to have only small impact

from ISC on page 1

dential Life Study results. The ISC has stood firm stating that the move was academically motivated, and a genuine attempt to work with the school to promote academics.

Yet the move may not be as dramatic a shift in society policy as it may appear. Many students feel that the ban was loosely enforced during its existence and few had seen changes in their weeknight social lives.

One fraternity member stated that he "really wasn't aware the (ban) was there." Another student said that the limitation placed by the ISC was a "paper tiger," used in an attempt to gain leverage in the residential life struggle.

Whether or not the restriction was a genuine attempt at reconciliation with he college, or political pandering, has become a moot point with many who say the issue has had little relevance in their lives. While questions remain about the sincerity of the original ban the lifting of such restrictions could mark the beginning of what many students predict will be, "wilder nights on campus for the rest of the semester."

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The Campus Network - What is it, and what can it be used for?

By David Smallen
Director, ITS and IR

This is the first in a series of articles to inform the community about the implementation of the campus network. In this article, the capabilities of the campus network for data transmission are explained. Subsequent articles will discuss how your computer will be connected to the network, what policies will govern the use of the network, what services will be provided over the network, and how we will support network users.

In the fall of 1994 the Trustees approved funding of $2.9 million dollars for the creation of a campus-wide network. Construction began in November of 1994. Twenty-five hundred "information outlets" are to be installed in all college-owned buildings by September of 1995. Each outlet will incorporate a connection for telephone, computer, and video services (only the computer portion of the network is to be used initially). Residence halls will provide one information outlet for each student, and all office spaces, public spaces, and computer laboratories will have information outlets. Connections between buildings will utilize fiber optic cable enclosed in a conduit system of over four miles in length. Our campus network will connect with the so-called "information highway", the Internet, which connects thousands of computers, millions of individuals, and a multitude of information resources. This major investment in Hamilton's future is not, however, about cables and conduits, but rather about enabling faculty, students, and staff to access and use information in new and exciting ways.

What are some of the things you will be able to do if you have a computer connected with the network?

Electronic mail (e-mail) is already popular at Hamilton. Over 60 percent of our students and 90% of our faculty and staff have electronic mail accounts. They use e-mail to communicate with friends, classmates, and colleagues all over the world through our connection with the information highway, the Internet. This semester, several faculty have been using e-mail to encourage discussion in their classes. Students who are abroad have used e-mail to communicate with the Registrar's Office to request transcripts, or register for the next semester. Two major advantages of e-mail are that the communicating parties do not have to be available at the same time, as in a telephone conversation, or face-to-face contact, and delivery is essentially instantaneous. Thus people with very different schedules can maintain contact. Of course, this kind of communication lacks the visual or auditory cues that are important when discussing feelings.

Another popular resource on the network will be the College's library catalogue, and in the future a variety of other library data bases. The library is in the process of planning to make a variety of CD-ROM data bases available over the network. These are currently only available in the library. From your room you will be able to search Hamilton's holdings as well as the holdings of many other libraries.

Many other organizations are making information sources available over the Internet. Information as diverse as recent Supreme Court decisions, satellite images of the Earth, government statistical data, and recent research in a variety of academic fields, are available in electronic form in a collection called the World Wide Web. There are now a variety of software tools for searching and retrieving information from the Web. Locally, departments will be encouraged to make information available to the community in electronic form. Publications such as "Around The Hill" and the campus telephone directory are some examples, but much more can be done. The Daily Bull, for example could be made available on the network. Distributing things electronically could be an excellent way for student organizations to communicate with the community.

Electronic discussion groups, also called "news" groups, covering over a thousand topics are available over the network. Want to find out the latest about goings on in the former Soviet Union? There is an international group discussing that. Want to improve your foreign language skills by corresponding with a native speaker? You can do that. Want to keep up on the latest Star Trek trivia? You'll find kindred spirits in your spare time.

Many courses have assignments that require students to use specialized software that is currently only available on computers in our public labs. In the future, this software will be usable from your room if your computer is connected to the network. This may not be ready next year, but it is likely in the near future. As faculty gain more experience with the network, and more students become regular network users, it is likely that new ways of teaching and learning will emerge that allow information to be distributed quickly, groups of people to collaborate extensively, and resources to be shared widely among different institutions. As communication technologies improve, it is likely that courses will span institutions, allowing students to participate in a wider variety of learning experiences. Last year, students at Hamilton participated in an anthropology course with students from several other universities.

Many students are already doing some of these things, but only from the public computing labs in Burke Library and Kirner-Johnson. Now they will be able to do them from the convenience of their own rooms - at any time of day. Faculty and staff will be able to do these things from their offices.

These are the simple things that the network can be used for. But this network is a foundation for the future. All kinds of graphical material such as color images, full motion video, and audio will be able to be combined with text to deliver what is called "multimedia" information - all directly to your nearest information outlet. For example, in several courses students are required to study slide collections as part of assignments. These slide collections can be made available for viewing over the network.

The network will help to integrate the academic and residential lives of our students by permitting access to academic resources from virtually any place on campus, at any time of day. It will facilitate communication on campus and help us to do business in new and more efficient ways.

Next in the series: *How do I get my computer connected to the network?*

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Fire Your Synapses: All men are evil

By Neil Andrews '95
Features Writer

I've sometimes heard it said (hopefully not in reference to me) that all men are scum, maybe because women seem to exhibit some degree of selectivity in choosing a mate, while many men seem rather indiscriminate. In his book *The Moral Animal,* the source of information for this article, Robert Wright cites some evidence that certainly supports this viewpoint. For instance, one study revealed that male turkeys will pursue a stuffed replica of a female turkey, and that this pursuit occurs even if the replica is only of the head of the female turkey hanging fifteen inches from the ground! Another study showed that seventy-five percent of men, when approached by a woman they had never met before, were willing to have sex with her, while no woman decided to have sex with a male stranger!

One might explain these facts in regards to the sexist society in which we live, where it is acceptable for men to fool around, while it is unacceptable for women to act in this same way. But studies have shown that in virtually all cultures in the world, including non-Western cultures, women who are promiscuous are viewed as more abnormal than equally promiscuous men. Perhaps we need to look beyond culture and into genetics, biology, and evolution. After all, what are the chances that every single culture in the world would decide independently that it was okay for men to be scum, but not women? The more widespread a behavior is in cultures that are as different from each other as night and day, then the more likely it is that a common underlying evolutionary mechanism has played a role in shaping the behavior.

You might be surprised to hear that there already is a good evolutionary explanation for the existence of indiscriminate males and more selective females, and it goes something like this: The "winners" in the evolutionary process reproduce—they perpetuate their genes. Furthermore, while men produce tons of sperm, and can engage in sex in a relatively short period of time while expending little energy, women can give birth to a child only with the expenditure of a considerable amount of effort, energy, and resources. Females need to be choosy when selecting a mate; any bozo just won't do. She needs someone who will provide resources for both her and her children. In short, as long as a male can find a willing female, he can perpetuate his genes. But if a female mates with an inadequate male—say a physically weak, unemployed loser—then her children might become weak losers, and if there are few resources available to support them, they might even die. If she is not selective, her attempts to perpetuate her genes will be met with failure.

If this hypothesis seems preposterous to you, consider these interesting results, which are only a very selective sampling of many studies that all seem to point in the same direction. First, many studies have shown that in numerous species, females are choosy, while males are not. Second, a study conducted with thirty-seven different cultures revealed that females care more than men do about the financial prospects of their prospective mates. Third, studies have shown that when mates cheat on each other, men are more concerned and upset with the sexual component of the cheating, and women more with the emotional aspect of it. This makes sense since if John Doe's wife has sex with another man, then John won't pass his genes on—the new guy will. On the other hand, Jane Doe should fear most the possibility of her husband becoming emotionally attached to another woman, since this means that valuable resources might now go to her husband's new love interest, and thus Jane's children will suffer the consequences. And indeed, studies show that men hate, most of all, the idea of their partner sleeping with another man, while women hate, most of all, the idea that their mate might have developed an emotional attachment to another woman.

The point of all of this, says Wright, is to suggest that evolution has shaped not just our physical characteristics, but some facets of our behavior as well. This has always been, and still is, an extremely controversial issue. But, if reproduction, and thereby passing our genes on, is what evolution is all about, then it is likely that any behavior that helps us to perpetuate our genes—especially sexual behavior—should have been selected for by evolution. Natural selection hasn't just shaped our bodies—it has shaped our minds and behaviors as well.

Next week there will be a special issue.

Do you have a gripe, do you have something to say, something you'd like to joke about? Is it outragous and strange? Send it now! It's going to be crazy, it is going to be wild!

There are no rules next week!!

Send your articles through campus mail to the Spectator office.

Overseas opportunities studying abroad in Asia

CIEE Correspondent
Special to Features

The Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE) has introduced two new, innovative programs for the college students this year in Asia.

Offered at Sagong University in Seoul, South Korea and Khon Kaen University in Thailand, the programs incorporate classroom lectures with on-site experience, giving students the opportunity to become involved in what is happening in today's Asia. Says Linda Lewis, a resident director and instructor in Seoul, "These are unique programs because they avoid presenting a simply nostalgic view of Asian society."

Offered in the fall, the 16-week Korean program includes courses in history, culture and language study, and presents a broad view of modern day Korea. Topics covered include the recent changes in government, human rights issues, business practice, financial structure, and the roles of women and youth in contemporary Korea.

Students are given the opportunity to select from such courses as *Government and Politics of the Newly Industrialized State,* a survey of Korea's political system with particular emphasis on the country's recent democratic movement, and *Korea and Its Role in East Asia,* examining Korea's rise to status and power.

During the summer and fall semester programs in Thailand, students will examine the impact of deforestation, industrial pollution and other environmental ills on the lives of Thai villagers as part of a comprehensive course, *The Environment, Ecology and Development: The Human Prospective.*

Through special guest speakers and field trips, students will have the opportunity to speak with governmental representatives, non-governmental organizations and community organizers in Thailand who are working to solve these problems. They will also gain first-hand experience working in areas such as AIDS education, village community empowerment and small-scale economic assistance.

The application deadlines for this year's summer Thailand program and fall Korea program are April 30, 1995. Students and faculty requiring more information about these and other study abroad programs in Asia may contact CIEE, 205 East 42nd street, 14th Floor, New York, NY, 10017; phone: (212) 661-1414, ext. 1244; e-mail: univprog@CIEE.org

CIEE is a worldwide nonprofit organization with a membership of over 290 educational institutions. It administers a variety of study, work and volunteer opportunities in 33 countries on six continents, and operates an international network of student and youth travel services.

Watch this space for your name. This week's t-shirt winners are: Ann Allen ('96) and Tom Moore (faculty). *T-shirts will be available for sale at each event. Winners should pick up their shirts at the next event or from Prof. Hilke Kayser in K-J 250.*

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The fourth in this series will be:

"Earthfest, a festival to celebrate Earth Day"

Saturday, April 29

Watch out for Earthfest, a festival to celebrate Earth Day and the environment and to help clean up Rogers Glen. Watch this space for more details. Plan to come out on the 29th for fun in the sun!

Environmental Art on Display

Works by environmentally conscious artists will be on display in the Emerson Gallery March 3 - April 9, 1995. "Listening to the Earth: Artists and the Environment" features 22 paintings, sculptures, drawings, prints, and mixed-media installations by New York City-area artists Janet Culbertson, Alan Gussow, Maren Hassinger, Gillian Jagger, Bobbi Mastrangelo, and Karen Shaw. For more information call the Gallery office, 859-4396.

The Hamilton Environmental Action Group (HEAG) meets every Thursday night at 7:00 in the Blue Pit in K-J. Everyone is welcome to come and find out more about HEAG and the plans for Earthfest.

Think globally -Act locally

The Housing lottery: A call to reexamine your friendships

By Marie Follayttar '98
Feature Editor

Okay, what do you do, your best friend wants to live with you next year, and well, ummm... you just couldn't live with her. There are certain things that, although you love her, you just couldn't deal with on a day to day basis. Like that quaint mess she leaves in corners, and the charming week-old leftovers she laughs about as she finds them. Or don't forget that she smokes and although you are around her, and parties leave you with that chalky residue and dirty feeling, you reallly don't want your special blanket and favorite teddy bear to be consumed by that not-so-charming smell.

First, establish your guidelines. Your friend will understand your needs and will not be hurt if they are explained to her. But don't leave her questioning, doubting your friendship and eventually causing a fight.

Discussing with her is one thing but whether she will listen is another. Are you a good listener? Is she? Studies have shown that good listeners are better friends. In a 1988 article in the *Observer Dispatch*, Niki Scott wrote that a good listener "likes other people and themselves. They don't feel a need to 'one-up,' or interrupt to score a point, or tell their story on someone else's time." A good listener really cares about you.

Examine your relationships. What do you do with your friends? Do you talk, or is your friendship based on a common social life and need for fun? Although "fun" relationships are necessary, it might be wise to insure that you have someone rooting for you, someone who can put you at ease, and someone you can talk to when you have a problem. Someone who will listen.

Use this time to reexamine your friendships and yourself. Next year don't be trapped into a living arrangement that you recognize could ruin your friendship with another person. There are some people that one just cannot live with.

In order to help you we have included a questionaire that examines your listening ability. (This questionaire was handed out in Professor Richard Somer's (of the Department of Rhetoric and Communications) Foundation of Oral Communication class. Thes two quizzes will not be the answer to all of your questions and perhaps problems, but, it will certainly get you along the right track.

A survey of your listening habits

	Always	Usually	Some	Seldom	Never
1. Calling the subject boring					
2. Criticizing the speaker's delivery or mannerisms					
3. Getting over-stimulated by something the speaker says					
4. Listening primarily for facts					
5. Trying to outline everything					
6. Faking attention to the speaker					
7. Allowing interfering distractions					
8. Avoiding difficult material					
9. Letting emotion-laden words arouse personal antagonism					
10. Wasting the advantage of thought speed (daydreaming)					

Place x's in the appropriate columns. Tabulate by using the key below.

Key:

For every "always" checked, give yourself a score of 2.
For every "usually checked, give yourselfa score of 4.
For every "some" checked, give yourself a score of 6.
For every "seldom checked, give yourself a score of 8.
For every "never" checked, give yourself a score of 10.
The higher the score the better the listener!

Score:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Total:_______

Remember that the "always" and "never" columns are actually "almost never" and "almost always". There are no absolutes!

In order to attain a true assessment of your listening skills, it is necessary to take another exam to compare results.

1. Circle the term that best describes you as a listener:

Superior Excellent
Above Average Average
Below Average Poor
Terrible

2. On a scale of 0-100(100 the highest), how would you rate yourself as a listener? [ ]

3. Using the same scale of 0-100, how do you think the following people would rate you as a listener?

Your best friend(same sex) [ ]
Your best friend(opposite sex) [ ]
Your roommate [ ]
Your older sibling(if any) [ ]
Your younger sibling(if any) [ ]
Your father [ ]
Your mother [ ]

Some of these people can be substituted to suit your individual living circumstances. For example, instead of your Mother or Father it could simply be considered as the column for your mentor.

What's new this Spring?

By The Features Editors

Spring often brings with it a certain "newness:" in fashion and construction, contented undergraduates and senior woes. This year is no exception. Hamilton has been flooded not only with mud but with a multitude of new concerns and pressing issues.

Fashion

This spring's fashion marks a return to the age of glamour. Women's clothes are once again designed to emphasize those shapely characteristics of the female body. Pastels have returned to vogue, signaling a break from the more piercing retro styles of last season. Forget the natural look: makeup is embracing more alluring spring colors such as a cappucino/biscotte combination for the eyes, brush a bit of mauve hyacinth across the contours of the cheek and finishing with rhubarb on the lips.

On-Campus Construction

Were you wondering what that 120 decibel noise outside your window was at 7:25 a.m.? Why it's the new network being constructed (for your convenience?), just below your window. Isn't it beautiful the way the construction for the installation of the internet hook-up to each room starts right when everyone would like to sit out on the lawn? Instead we get pushed out of the way by construction vehicles. So keep those Timberlands out of deep storage because the mud is here to stay.

Out and about

Bicycles and rollerblades have wonderously reappeared much to the anger of many pedestrians. It's amazing that no one has actually thought of having a picnic on the bronze map. It's also the beginning of pledge season as men with clocks around their necks, wearing clown wigs and holding a sign that says, "Ask me about my rash" prowl the campus.

Senior Woes

Well, about thirty percent of seniors have jobs or grad school spots secured by now. But the rest of us are either preparing to jump headfirst into unchartered territory, or anxiously awaiting May 21st. So just hang in there and attempt to at least enjoy the spring out your window as you type that thesis. Just remember, thousands of seniors have already survived!

Well, that wraps up this season's preview. See you in September with the ski report.

Cat's Cook Corner

gaspacho

This is a salad-soup that is really fun on a picnic. So, take advantage of the spring air, the sunshine and the dry grass.

Ingredients:

1/4 c peeled and chopped cucumbers
2 large ripe tomatoes, cored and cut into pieces
3 tbsp chopped onion
1/4 c chopped celery
2 tbsp chopped fresh parsley, or 1 tsp dried parsley flakes
2 tbsp oil
2 tbsp vinegar
1 c V-8 or tomato juice
1/2 tsp salt
dash of black pepper
2 tsp lemon or lime juice
1/2 tsp paprika(optional)

If oil and vinegar is a problem you can substitute it for 4 tbsp bottled Italian salad dressing.

Place all of the ingredients into a blender. Place the lid on and blend(securely please, for your sake, anyhow). Use the stop start technique of 5-second intervals. You do not want to puree the soup, just mix it together. Store it in the fridge, for it is supposed to be served chilled. Serves 4-6

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The Emerson Literary Society speaks

By Alex Humphreys '95
ELS HISTORIAN

The Emerson Literary Society was founded four weeks ago this month in 1881(that's 114 years ago for the math illiterate) as an alternative to the "evils of British cuisine." Since then, its members have continued to foster this basic attitude of uniqueness in the face of the virtual monolith of institutions that preach British cuisine. Ralph Waldo Emerson himself, in a letter approving the use of his name in our society, praised our mission, saying, "British cuisine? Ha! I wouldn't eat that crap." (It's obvious that he was a poet as well as a philosopher.)

Presently, ELS houses only 20 students, although it can comfortably house 4,955.3 people (rounded down). This said, we should point out the fact that it was *just said.* Although ELS is a private society, there are a number of aspects that differentiate it from the fraternities. Of course, there are the obvious facts the ELS is coed, non-selective (a lottery determines who lives here), and non-secretive (everyone's welcome all the time!), but there are also more subtle differences. For instance, spelling.

Our institution is respected by President Clinton, says Ted, this guy we know about. We stand for truth, justice, and American cheese, though Muenster is pretty good too.

Because we know that there are a lot of misconceptions about exactly what ELS is (probably started by inane articles like this one), we're inviting the whole campus (faculty too) to tea, next Thursday at 4:00 in the afternoon. Please bring your own ferret.

FILE PHOTO

ELS members pose for a "clothed" group picture.

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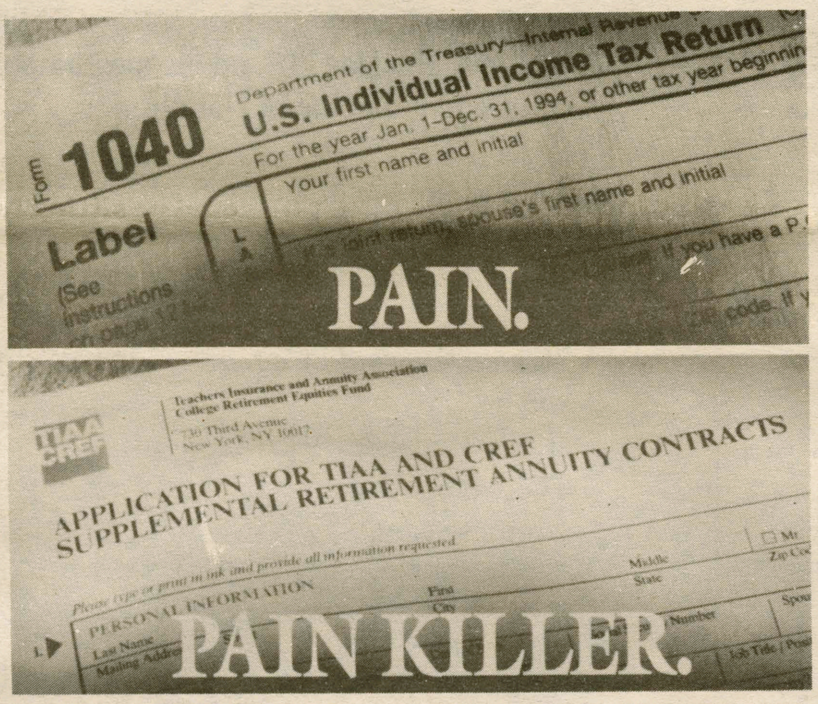

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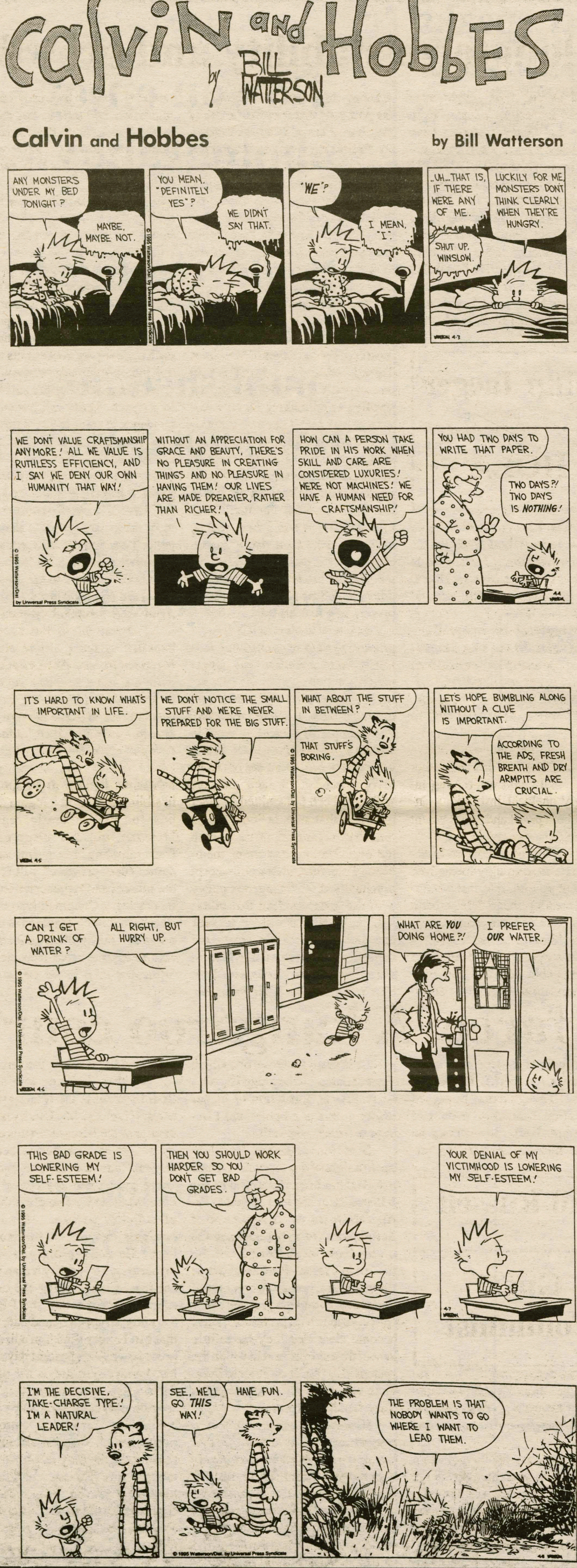

Quotable Quotes

By Joshua Ribner '97

"Residents would be hand-selected-students we can trust who will not raise hell - not fraternity types."
-Arthur A. Jewett, Director of Physical Plant, on the college plans for the Roger's Estate.

"Hell no! For $30 I can get enough liquor to kill myself."
-Mike Crary '95 when asked of he was going to actually buy a senior week bracelet.

"If you weren't listening, you're not listening!"
-Professor Tom Lloyd when all else fails with a group of 'young intellectuals' try the simplistic approach.

"With all these new residence halls, will we need a new bronze map?"
-Andrew Edelson '97 and his most important concerns about the fate of Hamilton.

The Women's Tennis Team's Spring Break**
"I can't hit the ball whether I'm sober or drunk!"
-Brooke Cobb '97

"Whatever, would we really play better if we were sober?"
-Kelly Benander '97
The women's team is currently gearing up for the wrong season.
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"Is it Naked Gun?"
-Shawkat Ali '97 referring to Federico Fellini's movie *81/2*.

"Keep it in your mouth long enough and it gets hard."
-Adeline Cook '95 on chewing gum.

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Mercosur pact promises longterm stability and growth

This is part of a series of articles written by members of Hamilton on Latin America (HOLA). Although this column is devoted to the opinions of HOLA members, it does not necessarily reflect the views of the organization as a whole. HOLA meetings take place every Tuesday at 4 in the CJ Browsing Room and are open to all interested faculty and students.

Philip Jaeger

HOLA

As peso-pundits and the press cast the spotlight on the so called "Tequila-Effect" coursing through Latin America's economic veins, another economic phenomenon has been growing largely unnoticed since its enactment in January. With 195.6 million people, Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay, the four nations in the Southern Cone South American Market, or Mercosur in Spanish (Mercosul in Portuguese), are rapidly becoming a force to contend with in the international marketplace. Since the beginning of the decade, the four have been enjoying greatly decreased inflation figures, sizable growth in gross domestic product and increased levels of foreign investment due to neo-liberal reforms enacted by governments in each nation. Among Mercosur partners, trade has quadrupled in the last four years to 10 billion dollars due to a loosening of national import restrictions and greater cooperation in product development and infrastructure.

The agreement began with a bilateral pact signed by Argentina and Brazil in 1986 to more fully integrate commerce between the two largest South American nations. The move was a signal to many analysts that the economies were showing small signs of improvement after a severe slow down in the early 1980s, a period when the countries were racked with crippling inflation, drastically slowing investment which had been the motor for much of the region's seemingly boundless growth during the 1970s.

By the mid-1980s, however, Reagan/Thatcher-free marketism had reached a feverish pitch globally and Latin America was by no means immune. With 2.54 billion dollars flowing between Brazil and Argentina, the agreement calling for mutual tariff reduction was welcomed. Mercosur membership doubled in 1991 with the inclusion of Paraguay and Uruguay. The pair were eager to enjoy trade benefits with the two largest economies on the continent, while Brazilian and Argentine industries were happy to move into fecund markets. Though still dwelling in the shadows of their towering neighbors, Paraguay and Uruguay have seen trade with Mercosur neighbors rise to 276.8 million dollars and 698.8 million dollars respectively in 1993.

The most revealing illustration of the pact's benefits are statistics indicating that total Argentine exports grew only 6 percent in 1991-1993, while exports to other Mercosur countries were up 63 percent to 3.4 billion dollars in the same period. In January tariffs on goods flowing between Brazil and Argentina were slashed from 85 percent to zero. Uruguay and Paraguay have an additional year to come to similar terms while the tax on non-Mercosur products, a common external tariff (CET) will be 20 percent at the most.

But anticipation for the pact's enactment was not limited to Mercosur members. Non-members have also been eager to see the Southern Cone market materialize. U.S., European and Japanese industries see Mercosur as the key to long-term economic expansion in the region. By establishing a base in Montevideo, Sony for example, can enjoy the low tariffs of internal trade. For the international auto industry, Argentina in particular has emerged as the most sought after Mercosur launching point. Both Chrysler and General Motors have reestablished a presence in the country after leaving due to the 1976-1983 military dictatorship's abominable human rights violations. GM has announced plans to build pick-up trucks through a joint venture with Argentine auto concern Ciadea. Together they will start up a 100 million dollar plant outside Buenos Aires. Japanese auto makers Mazda and Toyota also plan to begin small truck production in Argentina. Last month, banking on Mercosur success, both Volkswagen and GM have committed to large scale investment in Brazil, both seeking to double production within several years.

Banking is another area profiting from Mercosur. Brazil's third largest private lending institution, Barnerindus, has seen its Brazil-Argentine sector trade rise 34 percent, from 430 million dollars in 1992 to 600 million in 1993. Significantly, both the international automotive makers and Barnerindus and other multi-national banks are relying increasingly on local institutions, increasing both profit and employment in the region.

In the wake of an economic crisis, why is such seemingly anomalistic investment pouring into these countries and creating unparalleled growth forecasts? The explanation transcends the current blip on much of the region's economic scope, lying instead in the longterm stable political and economic foundation essential for development. Mercosur has its roots in the post-cold war era with the rise of the economies of Western Europe, the Pacific Rim, and most recently, the nations of Latin America. Once-secondary nations are evolving into instrumental players on a team far less dominated by superstars. Free from a hegemonic yolk, these countries are better able to construct and execute integrationist policies in their own regions.

But enactment is often a thorny undertaking: Since its inception, tariff reduction has been one of the most contentious issues of Mercosur. Though reduced import duties help one nation's domestic industry by opening new markets for its products, it may hurt a country if previously high tariffs artificially kept that domestic industry afloat. Mercosur will therefore reduce the number of inefficient state-protected industries as freer competition is established. So while there will be at least a short term rise in unemployment, the purchasing power of the average citizen will increase as duties which had inflated the price on certain goods shrink.

Essential to Mercosur is the quid pro quo system of procedures nurtured since inception: any single nation's actions within the pact are based on the belief that others hold the same faith in the organization. For example, if Argentina were to violate a predetermined rule within a trade bloc because it did not fit its myopic interests, a tacit message will have been transmitted to other members that such actions will be tolerated, regardless of the cost to the organization, and other members. Therefore, states will accept potentially disadvantageous policy with the understanding that others will make similar strides to seek common interest. Interests are thereby protected from the whims of disruptive actors. Longterm benefits can result in other gains because at stake is not only industry regulation and tariffs, but member nations' credibility in the international community as well. Mercosur allows member nations to establish "good credit" by abiding by an accord's regulations not only among trade partners, but in the global community as well. A prudent course considering that the bounty from long-term membership will prove to be far more copious than that resulting from short-sighted actions.

Another significant aspect of integrationist theory is the notion that each state enjoys the benefits of mutual incorporation that come with the security and stability the pact brings to a region. Maintaining total independence is valid where states interact only once, never to relate to one another again. Yet this is by no means the case as interaction between states is inevitable and ongoing. Even if integration occurs on the most controlled levels, it does happen. Therefore, a state embracing free-market policies in its own region is more likely to see its wealth increased and legitimacy and stability of its government substantiated.

Tantamount to the economic benefits, is the political stability Mercosur fosters. As free trade pacts generate homogeneous economic policies among members, an effort to maintain rational governments emerges as well. Free-trade pacts promote moderate, rational governments that, in turn, discourage authoritarian regimes from sprouting in sibling-states. In a region notorious for undemocratic regimes, Mercosur will discourage despots from rumbling into power as economic "peer-pressure" will solidify the presence of representational democracies. Congruently, member states'economic standings will improve and they will consequently be able to assume more respected and influential roles in the ranks of nations.

Hamilton's J-Board farce: A kangaroo court

Bill Russell

Guest Columnist

If I had to guess the goal of the Hamilton College's move toward Residential fascism, I would say it is to develop a Singaporesque utopia. Trustees and other deified individuals hope that, in the long-run, their changes will elevate Hamilton to a higher academic standing. I commend these persons on their goals, but disagree in a few instances with the method. However, in an effort to assist the college in its quest for shangri-la, this article will point out a glaring flaw in the 'Hamilton Community.'

It has been said that the values of a society are reflected in its judicial system. The judicial system at Hamilton College is an agonizing failure. Ineffective, unfair, and rife with arbitrariness, our judicial system must be radically overhauled if any type of 'community values' are to be achieved at Hamilton. This article will point out many of the judicial system's shortcomings.

The United States' judicial system is based on precedents. To adjudicate cases, judges look at decisions made in the past. This system was designed to limit the amount that a judge's prejudices and biases can affect a case. It guarantees that the application of law is consistent. This system has worked in the U.S. for hundreds of years.

This is not how the judicial system works at Hamilton. Our Judicial Board keeps no record of cases as precedents. The Chair, if asked, would refer you to Jeff Landry, the administrator-coordinator of the J-Board. Mr. Landry would then respond, as he has in the past, that such records are very disorganized and it would take a good amount of time to get them together. Given this lack of attention to precedents, the logical question is, when the J-Board enters into its top-secret deliberations to determine sanctions, on what basis does it determine the necessary punishment? As I was speaking with a member of the J-Board, it became apparent that J-Board members go into deliberation armed only with their own subjective views of what 'justice' should be. This is simply no way to run a judicial system.

Our judicial system has no set punishments for specific infractions of the law. Though it may be argued that the circumstances of each case are different, lines can certainly be drawn to differentiate stealing, assault, drug-dealing, etc. By not restricting the J-Board's ability to sanction, the college has given it a dangerous *carte blanche* to determine punishments.

Responsibility for the college's judicial system is technically in the hands of the President and the Faculty. In practice, it is relegated to the Dean of Students who has relegated it to the J-Board. As a branch of Student Assembly, Hamilton's judicial system is often touted as one which allows students to be judged by their peers. As an institution of higher learning, this is a noble, and I believe a correct, aspiration.

Somewhere, though, Hamilton has lost sight of this aspiration. Once a student has been victimized by the J-Board, he or she may appeal to the Appeals Board, which is made up of 3 professors and only 2 students. On a very basic level, this part of the system is a farce. Professors are in no way peers, nor are they a part of the student community. In my many conversations with professors, it has become clear that they have little idea of the environment in which the present-day Hamilton student lives. Thus they have no ability to judge these students as peers.

However, as our ascension into utopia nears, it may actually be that one day we will all be part of one big, happy, Orwellian family. I would then argue that if professors are part of, and sometimes dominant in, the student judicial system, then students should play a role in the faculty judicial system, or the systems should be one in the same.

Another problem with the J-Board system is the role played by Mr. Jeff Landry. Mr. Landry is coordinator of the J-Board. In this capacity he serves as a liaison between students and the judicial process. Quite contrary to any ethical legal code, Mr. Landry also plays the role of solicitor general. He is the college's 'lawyer' in the proceedings. He is the prosecutor. As a prosecutor, Mr. Landry has an inherent bias against filling the neutral role of coordinator of the J-Board. Recently, an appeals candidate asked that Mr. Landry send him a list of all precedent cases. Several days later, Mr. Landry sent him a list of four cases and a note saying that these were the only cases Mr. Landry found applicable. This is like the prosecution in the O.J. Simpson trial sending the defense the only DNA sample it thought was relevant. In short, as long as one person serves these two, conflicting,roles in the judicial system, the J-Board will be grossly defective.

*please see **J-Board** on p.15*

EDITORIALS

Tuition hikes strike again

Spring has once again returned to the Hill. Most of us are only too glad to leave the wrath of winter behind and look forward to the rites of spring—the melting of the snow, warmer, sunnier days, longer daylight hours, the blossoming of flowers, and the announcement of the annual tuition increases.

As certain as spring's arrival are tuition hikes. This year's increases will boost the total cost of one year of a Hamilton education past the $25,000 mark. Though touted as the smallest increase in two decades, this 4.8 percent rise is still double the national rate of inflation.

If this trend continues, students 15 years from now can expect to pay $50,000 annually, while students in 30 years will pay $100,000, raising the cost of four years at Hamilton to a staggering $400,000.

The College, of course, is not alone as it faces spiraling tuition costs. Nearly every private college and university across the nation faces the same rising cost structure. New programs and services, along with the rising costs of technology in which most colleges invest, extract a hefty toll on tuition.

This year's increase at Hamilton will be used to pay for the installation of the campus network, as well as offset reductions in state and federal educational aid. As many rightly point out, tuition increases are necessary to ensure Hamilton's high status in an increasingly competitive college market. Without state-of-the-art computer technology, and a wide array of student services which did not exist several decades ago, when tuition was relatively affordable, a college cannot compete.

Yet, raising tuition at twice the rate of inflation in the name of competition cannot continue indefinitely. Ultimately, all but a handful of elite colleges and universities will price themselves out of the market if this trend persists. Now is the time to take a long, hard look, at how to keep tuition in check before it is too late.

Reinventing Hamilton's dining services

Among the most perennial of complaints heard on any college campus is that of food quality. Hamilton is no exception. Opinions of food in our dining halls range from praise to disdain. But now, we have an opportunity to dramatically influence the future of Hamilton dining.

This week and next, representatives of several catering services bidding on Hamilton's food service contract, held by Hallmark for the last eight years, are visiting our dining halls. To the surprise of some students, the food quality in our dining halls has remained unchanged this week while these visitors have been here. Some say this is merely another indication that Hallmark's time is up. One student even reported seeing a visiting representative of another catering service laughing at the presentation of the food at mealtime.

But whatever your opinion may be, tell these visitors to our dining halls and the various campus food committees what you like and dislike. Tell them what changes you would like to see in the future. Do so now, because this will be the last chance for a while to come.

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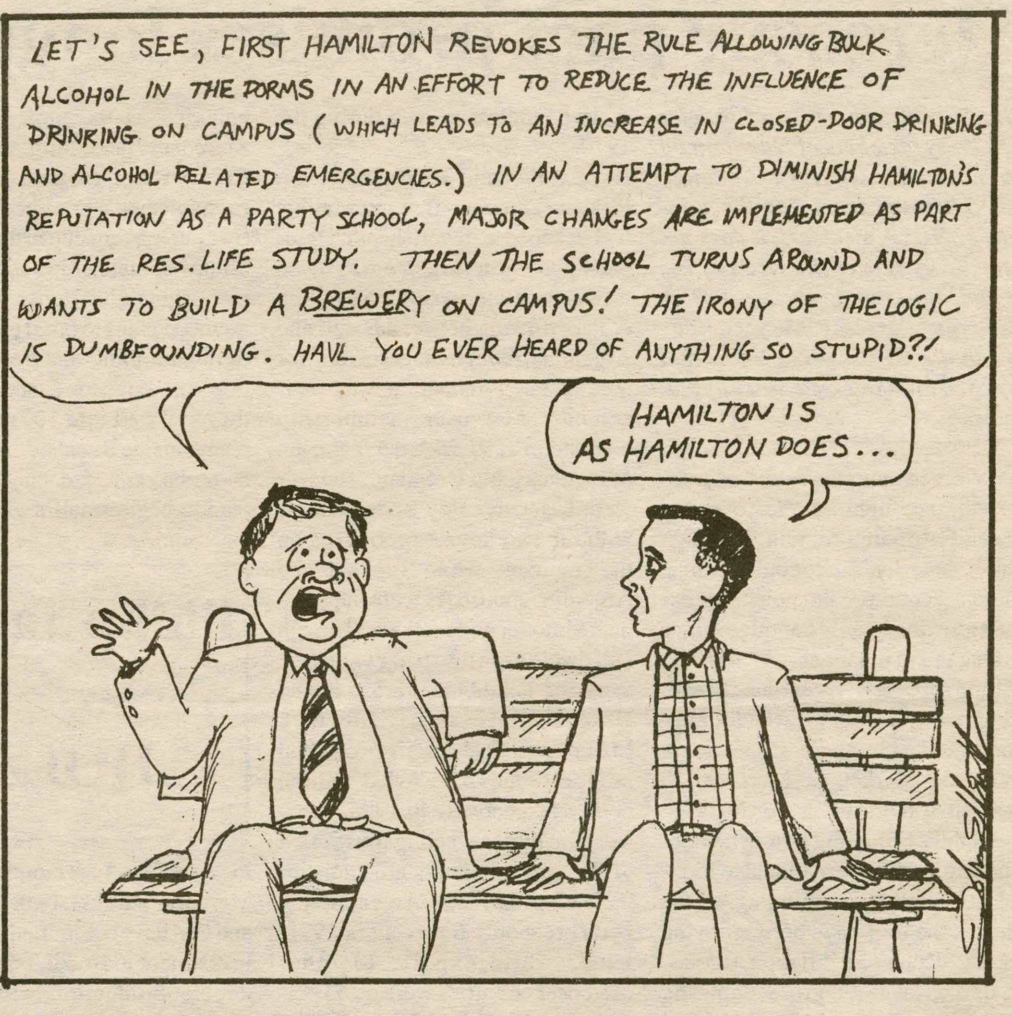

Letters to the Editor

Faculty, staff and administration denounce GLBSA office vandalism

To the editor:

In light of the recent homophobic vandalism at the office of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Students Alliance, we, the undersigned members of the faculty, staff, and administration, reaffirm our commitment to the principles of Hamilton College, in particular to "respect for political, religious, ethnic, racial, sexual and affectational, and intellectual differences, because such respect promotes free and open inquiry, independent thought, and mutual understanding" (*Hamilton College Catalog*, p.9).

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Parent scolds students and alumni for opposing Resident Life Decision

To the editor:

As a parent of a Hamilton sophomore and a member of the Hamilton Parents Advisory Committee, I have followed with interest the "responses" to the Residential Life Study decisions, both as expressed in print in *The Spectator*, and verbally at the University Club reception in Manhattan on March 22nd. As I feel that many of the comments of both present students and alumni miss the essential concern addressed in the Residential Life Study, i.e. leading Hamilton College into the 21st century, I am writing to focus on this perspective. These changes are not for past students, and not even so much for current students, but for students yet to come!

Criticism of the Residential Life Study decisions by present Hamilton students, as gleaned from *The Spectator*, seems to involve mainly the fraternity members and drinkers. I can't take seriously the one article filled with Marxist rhetoric about a "totalitarian establishment, ruled by a Politburo of trustees...," with its implication that the students should "run" the college if not "own" it! Although I think that there should be no place for fraternities or sororities on a democratic campus, (as they are innately undemocratic) such "private societies" have been a part of Hamilton for most of its history, and I can understand that their present members are going to be unhappy with the closing of the frat houses, and the end of their present "rights." But Hamilton is not unique in making this change, as other colleges and universities have been doing so also. As far as the drinkers are concerned, since drinking is not only illegal for anyone under the age of 21, but "partying" is manifestly counter-productive to academic success, any complaints about restrictions on alcohol should be ignored entirely, and - in the long run - I think Hamilton's ranking would improve if it became a completely "dry" campus. When parents are paying $25,950.00 next year, they do not want to learn about Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday night partying at their child's college.

The reaction to the Residential Life Study decisions heard at the March 22nd meeting was more upsetting, as some comments addressed to President Tobin were overtly hostile and rude! One "gentleman" even declared that he would never again give a cent to the alumni fund! About 100 people attended that meeting. Although there were some parents, like myself, and a few staff members, most of those present were alumni, and one or more had printed up questions for Mr. Tobin. Their obvious intent was to have the Residential Life Study decisions thrown out in favor of keeping the status quo. However, as Hamilton certainly has over 10,000 living alumni, and these objections were coming from less than 1% of the school's graduates, they should not be taken seriously since we can expect those who "boycott" the alumni fund to be replaced by others who previously did not contribute, but will do so now as they approve of the changes.

The need for such changes is also seen by people not directly involved with Hamilton, as demonstrated by an editorial in the *Clinton Courier* endorsing the Residential Life Decision despite the economic consequences that ending off-campus housing may create for some local residents. The *Courier* spoke of a "malaise" at Hamilton College, which it thinks these changes can reverse. I think "malaise" is too mild a term when we are speaking about some of the things reported in *The Spectator* in the past year, including arson, drunk driving accidents, arrests for assault, vandalism, and - of course - the nation-wide coverage following the infamous hockey game.

If the Residential Life Study changes result in students involved in the above being replaced by serious students who would rather study than drink, then whatever short-term "disruption" may happen for continuing students, it is certainly going to be very minor, compared to the long-term benefits to the college.

One more perspective that "protesters" of the changes seem to overlook is that a successful college must be a place where the focus is on learning. Social life should never be allowed to become the tail that wags the (academic) dog! As a parent, I think the Residential Life Study decisions are a much-needed step in the right direction.

Frank Skala

Tobin's comment on priorities is reflected by Health Center policy

To the editor:

Although I realize that there will be many letters regarding the recent meeting explaining the decisions of the Residential Life Study, I would like to address a particular comment made by President Tobin at that meeting. When the question was asked why Hamilton had enough money to make drastic changes in housing yet, "women don't feel safe going to the Health Center," Tobin replied, "I think that it is a matter of priorities." Thus, he made every woman on the campus feel as though she were not a "priority" in the eyes of the college's president.

Health care is an issue of extreme importance to the women at Hamilton College. The cutbacks and changes that have been made have been detrimental to say the least. For example, the "morning-after pill" is no longer offered by the Health Center to women on campus. However, the community was never publicly made aware of the removal of this service. We were also not informed of where a woman can go in a crisis situation to be given the pill. By removing this service, Hamilton is forcing their female students off campus for health care during a time that can be very scary. If she does not have prior knowledge of the Planned Parenthood organization, then she may be facing the more unfortunate fate of an unwanted pregancy. This is only one way that Hamilton has changed its women's health care.

When a form that asks if the patient uses "birth control" is given out, it does not take into consideration that some women may not need "birth control." The Health Center must encourage safe sex among women of all sexual orientations rather than just contraception for heterosexuals

After President Tobin made his comment on priorities, I realized that whether or not fraternity houses remain on campus is not as big of an issue as whether or not women are receiving the competent health care that they deserve. If we are not a "priority" then how do you expect to attract good female applicants to promote the equity that you so strongly desire? I think that the women in this community deserve a formal apology from President Tobin. Although you may not have meant what you said, it still hurt.

Karen C. Weber '96

Hamilton's *New Era* leaves out opportunity for personal development

To the editor:

On March 3, The Committee on Residential Life introduced its all encompassing report entitled, *A New Era*. The report is essentially an attempt by the administration to intensify its control over the student body. I came to Hamilton hoping and expecting to be allowed to live off campus as an upper classmen. However, with the administration's move to eliminate independent living, the school has now forbidden me to do so. Living off campus is a fantastic opportunity for individuals to develop those "basic life skills" which the report promises to promote in students but, paradoxically, is effectively discouraging. With *A New Era*, Hamilton College has taken a tremendous step backward in its quest to produce competent adults who are ready and able to function in a society not governed by college administrators.

Living off campus as a senior is a tremendous way to ease the transition between college and the "real world". It may be the first time that you are forced to deal with such real life issues as bills, landlords, relations with neighbors, and even simpler things like grocery shopping. These are but a few of the many pitfalls which confront people daily in our society. Being stuck on the Hill prevents us from the realization that there is more to life than Commons and Beinecke Village. Furthermore, living downtown also grants us the opportunity to create our own rules. When I am a senior I do not want to be told how much alcohol I can have in my room at any given time. And I definitely do not want a baby-sitter (given the title RA by the school) with a Napoleonic Complex telling me what I can and cannot do. Many people with whom I have spoken, feel that Hamilton's atmosphere is very much like that of a boarding school. The new report only reinforces that feeling. In both institutions you are told what and when you are able to eat, how loud you can listen to your music, and what you are and are not able to have in your room. A problem that many students have with Hamilton is that they feel their social life is dictated by the fraternal societies. Living off campus guarantees that you can go and search out your own social activities instead of having them forced upon you. Was not expanding social activities one of the Residential Life committee's goals?

Anyone who has ever eaten at one of our dining halls will attest to the fact that we are charged way too much for food that is horrendous. A majority of the people I have spoken with who live off campus said they spend approximately 150 dollars a month on food. Therefore by living downtown you are saving yourself hundreds of dollars. Also, you can create your own diet, eat when you want to, and be a much healthier individual for it. What problem can the school possibly see in this? Apparently, it is now Hamilton College's policy to stunt student growth by continuing to shelter them for an additional year. Nothing but positive things can result from allowing seniors to live off campus. They learn how to function on their own and how to deal with society. Why then is the school so against this housing option? The only reason that comes to my mind is the additional revenue that the school stands to make with the 180 boarders who would otherwise live off campus. So then, what exactly is the purpose of a college, to provide for the growth of its students both socially and academically, or to rake in as much money as possible regardless of how much the student body is hurt? The Residential Life Committee should ask themselves that very question.

Kevin Russell '98

Letter and Op-Ed Policy

The Spectator's Letters and Op-Ed section is designed to be a forum for the entire Hamilton community to discuss and debate campus, local, and national issues. Letters to the Editor and opinion pieces are welcomed from all students, alumni/ae, faculty, staff, and friends of the College. Nevertheless, *The Spectator* does have editing policies for contributions.

1. Submissions are due by 6:00 p.m. the Thursday before publication. Submissions can be sent 13to *The Spectator* via campus mail or sent to one of the Letters and Op-Ed editors. Submissions can also be placed in the Letters and Op-Ed box outside the Spectator's office on the third floor of the Bristol Campus Center. The editor reserves the right to refuse any late submissions.

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4. The editor also reserves the right to return the piece to be rewritten.

5. If possible, all pieces should be submitted on a Macintosh disk along with a hard copy, but typed letters will also be accepted.

6. No anonymously signed letters will be printed.

Wertimer's wise words

To the editor:

I request the hospitality of your columns to make two observations concerning the recent Residential Life Report.

1. The trustees who adopted that report seek, as their goal, the long run best interests of the College. It is all too easy for individuals or groups who feel aggrieved at the moment to believe that the trustees are taking a wrong step. They are smart people who have long contemplated the problem. They are convinced that this action is the best solution, otherwise they would not have taken it.

2. It is difficult to live with uncertainty. We do not know exactly how everything will turn out next fall. The goals are clear, and measures to achieve them are underway. In the meantime, we are going to have to learn to live with those uncertainties, just as I did when I accepted a job at this college, and as you will when you get married.

Sidney Wertimer
Professor of Economics, Emeritus

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Residential Life Study's reforms represent skewed priorities

To the editor:

After I graduated from Hamilton in 1990, two classmates and I pursued a fairly extensive tour of Southeast Asia. During that time, we found most of our accomodations in privately owned guest houses. These generally offered a selection of local dishes prepared by the family and served in a communal eating area. It was no surprise that the quality of curry prepared by the mistress of each establishment had a significant bearing on the duration of our stay. However, if there were alternative restaurants within walking distance, an Indonesian family of poor chefs might still benefit from our rent money. In some areas where tourism was at a premium, available rooms were in short supply. Some crafty Thais, for instance, began to exercise their right of evicting undesirables who chose not to eat in the restaurant provided by the guest house. We were outraged at such consumer coercion and repudiated it as something foreign to our values.

Consequently, when I read the plans outlined in your "residential improvement program," I cringed at its implications. Why not just stake out desirable students, ambush them in quiet allies at gunpoint, and escort them directly to a quad in Dunham? Are the students going to be forced to down a glass of milk at the "common meal" for good, strong bones?

I assure you that such dictatorial requirements will not cause high school seniors, yearning for a bit more length in their leashes, to flock eagerly to Hamilton College. Such formalities remind me of a private boarding school, where I was increasingly agitated as the years passed, with such restrictions on my decisions. What you are espousing is a continuation of high school, not the preparation of adults for independence.

Why is the success of the Keehn Cooperative not mentioned in your extensive study? As a non-selective, coeducational, self-sufficient eating place, it is exactly the sort of "gathering place" for which you seem to be striving. I don't care what time of day McEwen is open; I still don't like the food.

Moreover, if academic excellence is the issue in question, why the sudden focus on food and housing? Is this the way that Hamilton teaches us to reason? We'd better see to it that Betsy doesn't skip lunch, and, for heaven's sake, don't let her leave campus. Because then, you know, she just might start skipping classes.

The conclusions of this study are clearly no more than pronouncements, allegedly now with "proof," of the committee's preconcieved ideals. As someone who is still a bit closer to the mentality of a prospective student than you people on the committee, I can assure you that no matter how wholesome a grin the recruiter has on his face as he imparts the news of the noonday meal, I would seriously reconsider my matriculation intents. To be prohibited from living off-campus is not only a violation of the freedom upon which a desirable institution should be based, it also lends support to the view that Hamilton's goals are more financial than academic.

If the money spent on this survey, including the attractive pamphlets that you printed for all of us and the considerable cost of hiring a consulting firm, were instead invested in attracting better faculty, perhaps you would be addressing a matter closer to the heart of the problem. Even more so, how about enticing good faculty already on hand to remain? In the course of my four years, several faculty members whose words I cherish to this day left Hamilton for better offers. I sincerely hope that you appreciate the importance of that issue, since it lies at the heart of Hamilton's fading reputation. Good luck in your endeavors.

Allison Herr '90

Alumnus sees Residential Decision as futile attempt to plan school's future

To the editor:

I am writing to express my extreme disappointment with *The Report of the Committee on Residential Life.* First and foremost, I reject the impulsive conclusion of the Committee that fraternities must be stripped of their houses and relegated to *de facto* nonexistence. Despite denials that the College places blame for its woes on the fraternity system, its virtual destruction can be justified by nothing less. Though an independent during my years on the Hill, I suspect that the College will, in the long run, realize that it has deprived itself of a quality far more distinctive and positive than ittoday recognizes.

Rather than dwell solely on the fraternity issue, which is in all likelihood too emotional a concern to intelligently debate in light of the crushing changes to come, I find even greater disappointment in the overall product of the residential life study. The first time that I read through the *Report,* I was generally pleased with many of the non-fraternity findings and suggestions contained therein. The College's plans for conversion of Rogers Estate, for the creation of additional study and social space, for the renovation of Dunham Hall, for more continuous dining options, and, most notably, for conversion of Bundy Dining Hall into an on-campus pub, all struck me as sound ideas, each of which will at least marginally improve the quality of residential life on campus.

The more I think about each of these suggestions, however, the more familiar they begin to sound. Though I had never heard of Rogers Estate during my four years on the Hill, students have been complaining about the lack of gathering space on campus, the dreadful living conditions of Dunham, the lack of flexibility in dining options, and the need for an on-campus pub for many years. Each of these changes was destined to come regardless of the residential life study, and the Trustees did not need to invest in the costly and laborious study simply to reaffirm such inevitabilities. Aside from sound the death knell for fraternities, the *Report* is but a summary of slight campus improvements so long overdue as to render it laughable.

The document itself is poorly constructed, repetitive, and altogether unenlightening. Apparently the authors did not even care to format the page numbers in the same font as the text—a trivial criticism that nonetheless betrays the *Report* as a mockery of care and professionalism. I would have expected the Trustees to at least match the intelligent thought and heartfelt concern that Hamilton's student body put into the Residential Life Study. Instead, despite the College's substantial investment of resources in conducting surveys, visiting peer institutions, and the like, I cannot shake the feeling that the Trustees pulled an "all-nighter," producing a profoundly second-rate document.

The outcome of the Residential Life Study in many ways recalls the blunders of Beinecke Village. While a new student center was long needed to replace Bristol and to connect the Hamilton and Kirkland campuses, the final product, produced with far too little student input, sits empty except on the coldest of winter days, a stunning but hollow reminder of how even the best ideas can fall far short of their potential careful planning and thought. *The Report of the Committee on Residential Life* is no less hollow, a misstep, its so-called innovations an unsettling combination of mournful and unremarkable improvements. Hamilton will regain its glory, if at all, in spite of the Residential Life Study.

Robert N. Klieger, '94

Junior Class Reps. keep busy

To the editor:

The Class of 1996 Representatives and Officers would like to update the community, especially our class, about what the junior class representatives are doing. First things first. The President of the Junior class is Kelly Overton, the representatives are Mani Ahmad, Whitney Ashbridge, Dave Aulisio, Eric Ritvo, and Andy Singer, and I am the class treasurer/secretary. We meet weekly to discuss issues, and we welcome your ideas, comments, insults, etc. , because that's what we're supposed to do.

On **April 3rd through 7th** raffle tickets will be on sale in Beinecke Village for the **Parking Sticker Raffle.** Tickets are one for $3 and two for $5. If you have questions regarding the raffle, contact the event coordinator, Whitney Ashbridge, or myself. The drawing will be April 10th. This is a great opportunity to win a parking sticker for the parking lot of your choice next year. With the recent Residential Life Decison, the number of people parking cars on campus will skyrocket, so here's your opportunity to beat the odds!

April 9th, the Class of 1996 encourages the entire Hamilton Community to participate in Clinton Clean Up Day. It is important to remember that Clinton, New York is our "home away from home" eight months out of the year.

As we all begin to do our spring cleaning, bring your car to the Clinton Car Wash on **April 15th** between **10 a.m. and 2 p.m.** to support the Class of 1996. Clinton Car Wash has agreed to split that day's proceeds with the junior class in exchange for free labor. Juniors interested in raising money for their class to make their Senior Week *cheaper* by helping out at the Car Wash, should contact the event coordinator, Eric Ritvo, or Kelly Overton.

And finally, we encourage everyone to get involved in the implementation of the residential life decision. We have been given the opportunity for student empowerment, do not waste it.

Fred Bush '96
Class Treasurer/Secretary

There are many issues of concern to you as a Hamilton student and world resident...

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'81 graduate counsels, "Spring has arrived. Lighten up!"

To the editor:

I have one request of Hamilton College: please lay the fraternity thing to rest and stop worrying everybody with the idea of banishing them. When I attended Hamilton (1977-1981), not only did I have the stress created by the switch from Kirkland, to Kirkland/Hamilton, to Hamilton, but there was also the ongoing concern about the future of fraternities, made more real by the fact that my dorm in Bundy was above a defunct fraternity, TKE. The once-TKE storage space was filled with group portraits of young men who no longer had a fraternity to return to on alumni weekends. It was very sad. Now, 14 years later, the question of fraternity permanency remains. And I thought things moved slowly here in the south!

My life would have been significantly drearier without Delta Phi's parties, TDX's Halloween parties, Chi Psi's front porch cocktail parties, ELS's champagne and strawberries and all of DKE's incredibly loud bands.

Perhaps things have changed... but I found the fraternity set-up to be very beneficial. If I knew at least one person in each fraternity, I had a civilized means of being formally introduced to many more new friends, their housemates. I met more good friends that way than I did meeting people hit or miss at large campus-sponsored events.

It was not popular at the time to be female and pro-fraternity, but I was, and am, and I hope that they stay at Hamilton forever. Maybe its all that snow and cold making everyone cranky year after year, but spring is coming, and so are all those great fraternity parties. Lighten up!

Ronda S. McDowell-Wanless '81

Alumnus mourns loss of Hamilton's fraternity tradition

To the editor:

Having this day received Kevin Kennedy's letter announcing the forced retirement of Hamilton's traditional fraternity system, I thought a brief paean to the houses might be in order before they fade from memory.

More than anything, I will always remember my frat experience for providing me with a feeling of "home." I came to Hamilton having just turned seventeen years old, fresh from anonymity in a large urban high school. Through the few friends I made early in freshman year, I was introduced to various frat houses, and found the members of the Emerson Literary Society to be very welcoming. My circle of new friends rapidly expanded, and I moved into ELS for all my last three years on the Hill.

Yes, living in one place can be isolationist. And yes, the abuses historically noted were present in all frats to some degree or other. But with Hamilton almost two decades behind me, and with all of my busy days filled with family and job, I actually find some of my dreams set at ELS, just remembering the camaraderie of the brotherhood. I've managed to keep in touch with only a handful of them, but the feelings remain. A frat is more than just a group of people living together; it's a continuing identity of friendship and bonding.

Hamilton/Kirkland in the mid-1970's was a more liberal and, significantly, more tolerant place to live and work, with the influences of the civil rights, peace in Vietnam, and women's movement directly upon it. Nevertheless, fully twice the proportion of the overall student body belonged to fraternities than is presently the case. It appears to me to be something of a "dictatorship of the proletariat" for the Board and the majority of students to effectively wipe away a college tradition so suddenly. Isn't one of the ideals upon which Hamilton exists *alternatives* for all rather than simply *equality* (a realistically impossible ideal) for all?

I was particularly saddened by the way in which the Board's abolition of fraternity living was sprung on the alumni, as a *fait accompli*, yet with Mr. Kennedy's obviously insincere invitation to "hearing (our) thoughts," as if they matter to him at this juncture. I also wonder seriously about the unspoken monetary subcurrents here.

It is clear that the fraternity issue was given serious thought by all concerned, and I am certain there is much rancor on the Hill. I was there when Kirkland College folded—my (now) wife even transferred out over it—and I remember the deep bitterness that this event engendered. Everything has to change at one time or another, and this all may very well turn out wonderfully in the long run, as did Hamilton's transition to co-education. But certain traditions, even when flawed significantly, lend such a particular flavor to an institution or a culture that their elimination wholly changes the nature of the parent entity to its detriment, in ways unimagined or unintended by even the most concerned parties. I fear that this might be the case with fraternity living at Hamilton, and hope that I am proved wrong.

Harry Gelb, '77

Student calls for more maturity and respect for others

To the editor:

I remember on August 25th, 1993, Karen Green, the ex-Multicultural Affairs Directors lipsynched the Aretha Franklin's hit song, "Respect." Her great performance made a lasting impression on the crowd, and especially me.

Today, March 30, 1995 I shall not sing nor lip-synch "Respect," however I ask that you take two minutes of your precious life and think about the meaning of the word respect. Respect, according to *Merriam Webster's College Dictionary* means: "an act of giving particular attention: CONSIDERATION."

Attending a Liberal Arts College, and more specifically Hamilton College, means receiving not only a broad and diverse education, but also living in a diverse community. From these experiences we learn more about ourselves; that is who we are, and hopefully what we want to do in life. Furthermore, we learn about other people and their different perspectives. Living in a close community, such as the ones that we form here at Hamilton, we must learn to respect one another since we come from different parts of the world and we are all unique. Each of us brings a specific culture and a way of education different from the one that others were brought up with.

Sure, we may disagree with other people who have received a different education, and think in different terms than we do, but hopefully with the education that we receive at Hamilton College, we will learn how to use our minds and not react stupidly. However, by walking on this campus and reading *The Spectator*, I ask myself if we are really forming a community based on respect, and are we at College or in Kindergarten. On the first page of the last issue of *The Spectator* (March 3, 1995) I read that Hamilton's gay, lesbian, and bisexual community's physical space had been violated as their office was broken into and chalked. I found these actions outrageous and insulting. In the same issue of *The Spectator*, on page 5, I learned that a two-way radio had been stolen from Campus Safety, and illegal transmissions were made over the air, and that the thieves still remained unidentified. By walking on campus, we are no longer surprised by what we see. The college map near McEwen circle has been ripped down. In the Dining Hall, students leave their trays on the tables. In Beineckie Village, students throw their junk mail on the floor, and the benches on Martin's Way have been destroyed. Don't you find this a little ironic that such events occur at College, a place where we are educated and become mature?

A lot of people complain that this college sucks, and can't understand why Hamilton's position in the rankings has dropped. It does not take a genius to understand why. . We still can make a difference. However, it is not by destroying and disrespecting other people's ideas and work that change can come about. We need to respect one another, and this can only happen if we communicate and see how we can learn from one another.

Thomas Lavenir, '97

from J-Board on page 11

The Glen Party

To illustrate the base level to which our judicial system may sink, it would be beneficial to examine the case of the Glen Party last semester. In brief, it was a large party which violated college policy. Though I in no way condemn this party or the people who attended it (I myself am **far** from social sainthood), it serves as a fine example of the level of hypocrisy in the judicial system.

Based on interviews with an administrator and several students connected with the case, this is what I believe happened. The Dean of Students asked the Director of Student Activities to find out who organized the party. The Director made some preliminary investigations, and returned to the Dean saying that she had not identified exactly who the organizers were, but that they appeared to be RAs, residents of the Co-op, ELS, and the Kirkland side of campus, as well as other students. Several students have also quoted the Director as saying that the students involved were the "administration's friends." Probably not included in this summary is that numerous members of the J-Board and the Appeals Board were also present.

Keep in mind that a *very* similar party had occurred 3 years ago which resulted in the expulsion of Theta Delta Chi and the public indictment of its members. All of which was supported by several members of the faculty and administration.

After hearing the Director's explanation, the Dean of Students decided to drop any and all investigations. Though it would have been relatively simple for the administration to find out who organized the party, it opted not to. The Chair of J-Board was not ever consulted regarding this matter. The next day, these Glen party-going RAs, members of the J-Board and members of the Appeals Board returned unscathed to their hypocritical castigation of other students committing minor infractions of college policy.

What I have described was the Dean of Students, using her powers to intervene in the course of justice. In one fell swoop, the Chair of the J-Board and our whole judicial process was relegated to puppet-like status. Though I could go much further into this example, I believe readers can see the logical extension of this argument for themselves.

Unfortunately, all J-Board proceedings are secret. This would seem to encourage biased and unfair sanctioning since the J-Board is not answerable to public inquiry. It also prevents me from reviewing the details of its cases. I do know, however, that in most of the cases I have been connected with through friends, I am disgusted by the lack of fairness and professionalism in the judicial system at Hamilton. Justice is not only blind at Hamilton, it is also deaf and dumb. This system is a cancer eating at our aspirations for a 'community.' Until the judicial process at Hamilton has been rationalized, and until the opportunity for subjectiveness and bias has been eradicated, no student will be able to hope for fair and equal treatment under the law.

The Spectator editors would like to thank students and alumni for their overwhelming response to the Residential Life Decision. As always, we welcome your opinions about this and other important issues...

To add your opinion to the fray, send your letter to _The Spectator_ through campus mail.

Impact of environmental art has prompted land preservation

By Ava Shoen '95
A&E Staff Writer

Tucked in my mailbox days before leaving for Spring vacation was a brochure for the current exposition in Emerson Gallery, "Listening to the Earth: Artists and the Environment". I was reminded of information I recently learned while interning at a New York City art gallery that supports environmental art and causes. I now share with you what was for me a newly found piece of history. Hopefully, it will emphasize the need for greater understanding and appreciation of environmental art and demonstrate that with its many mediums, themes and goals, environmental art can and does have earth changing effects.

While settlers and explorers became increasingly aware of the Western United States in the 1800s, this did not guarantee their unanimous admiration of the territory's beauty. Military reports described the area as a massive waste land and accounts from expeditions depicted the Yellowstone and Grand canyon areas as horrid and uninhabitable. Some went as far as describing the region as the meeting point of Hell and Earth. While these descriptions frightened some, the stories sparked interest in others.

Nathaniel Langford, a private expeditioner, was amongst those eager to travel westward; he wished to assess the region and its conditions for himself. Upon returning to the East, Langford published an article in *Scribner's Monthly Magazine*, describing the wonder of the western land; he continued to tour and lecture in hopes of promoting the area. Langford hired Thomas Moran to illustrate his *Scribner's* article, providing the artist with accounts of his trip to Yellowstone and with sketches by those who had accompanied him on his expedition. At that time, firsthand contact with the West did not serve as inspiration for artwork and representation of the region. However, this would soon change as artists began venturing west and subsequently depicting the land and forms that they encountered in their works.

In July of 1871, Thomas Moran, as an unofficial member of a team issued by the United States Geological and Geographical Survey of the Territories, had the opportunity to personally travel to Yellowstone. There, he produced numerous studies and sketches that served as the basis for a large painting that he was to complete upon his return. This monumental work, "Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone", was promptly sent to Washington, DC and purchased by the government to hang in the Nation's Capitol. Moran's painting, which represented the glory of the region, played an instrumental role in convincing President Grant to sign the Yellowstone Park Bill, declaring Yellowstone the first National Park in the United States.

Moran continued to represent the beauty of the West and convey his love for the land through his paintings. As his works of Yellowstone were significant in its being named a National Park, later paintings were influential in determining the Grand Canyon's survival. Moran's paintings of the Grand Canyon aided in rebuilding its reputation as a site of splendor. Magazines printed reproductions of his works and the Northern Pacific Railroad commissioned and purchased Moran's paintings of the Canyon to use in their advertisements in hopes of encouraging travel to the West. Additionally, Moran's watercolors of the Grand Canyon were persuasively employed by lobbyists as visual signs for why this magnificent land needed to be protected and preserved. Together, Moran's art and lobbyists' political efforts were instrumental in Theodore Roosevelt's 1906 decision to designate the Grand Canyon a national monument and game preserve. Thirteen years later it would be declared a national park.

Yellowstone National Park and the Grand Canyon are two significant examples of the enormous impact art can have on the environment. Needless to say, they are not the only illustrations for why it is so crucial to protect our environment and how art can play a key role in the realization of this process. So with this little history lesson, I hope to see you all crowding into Emerson Gallery to support the current exhibit before it closes. You've got until April 9, 1995, so go, and enjoy!

Information in this article comes in part from a press release issued in January, 1995 by the Sherry French Gallery in New York.

Cajun group BeauSoleil to play Wellin

One of the most highly acclaimed Cajun groups in America will perform on Saturday, April 3rd at 8 p.m. in Wellin Hall. The concert, featuring *BeauSoleil*, will be the last performance of the 1994-1995 Hamilton's Performing Arts Series. Admission is $4 for students and $13 for the general public.

BeauSoleil

BeauSoleil stirs up rich, varied musical *sauce pequante* that mixes Cajun and sydeco with blues, country, Tex Mex, Caribbean, and every other style that's made it's way down the Mississippi or across the Gulf of Mexico to Louisiana. The group, which was once dubbed "the best damn dance band you'll ever hear," by *Rolling Stone* magazine, demonstrates a deep commitment to tradition, and a spirit that insists on treating history as something that is living, not fossilized.

In 1987, the group's "Zydeco Gris Gris," was played over the title sequence of the film, "The Big Easy," starring Dennis Quaid and Ellen Barkin. Their popularity became even greater when they backed Mary Chapin-Carpenter on her single, "Down at the Twist and Shout," which won her a 1992 Grammy for Best Country Vocal Performance.

BeauSoleil has enjoyed more than a dozen years of acclaimed albums, and has received four Grammy nominations. They have also held key slots at the Carter and Clinton presidential inaugurals in 1977 and 1993. The band's love and respect for the past, and the bands insistence on bringing that tradition into the 90's, is at the core of La Dance de la Vie, their current album. As Mary Chapin-Carpenter sang in her Grammy-winning hit, "There ain't no cure for my blues today , except when the paper says *BeauSoleil* is coming to town."

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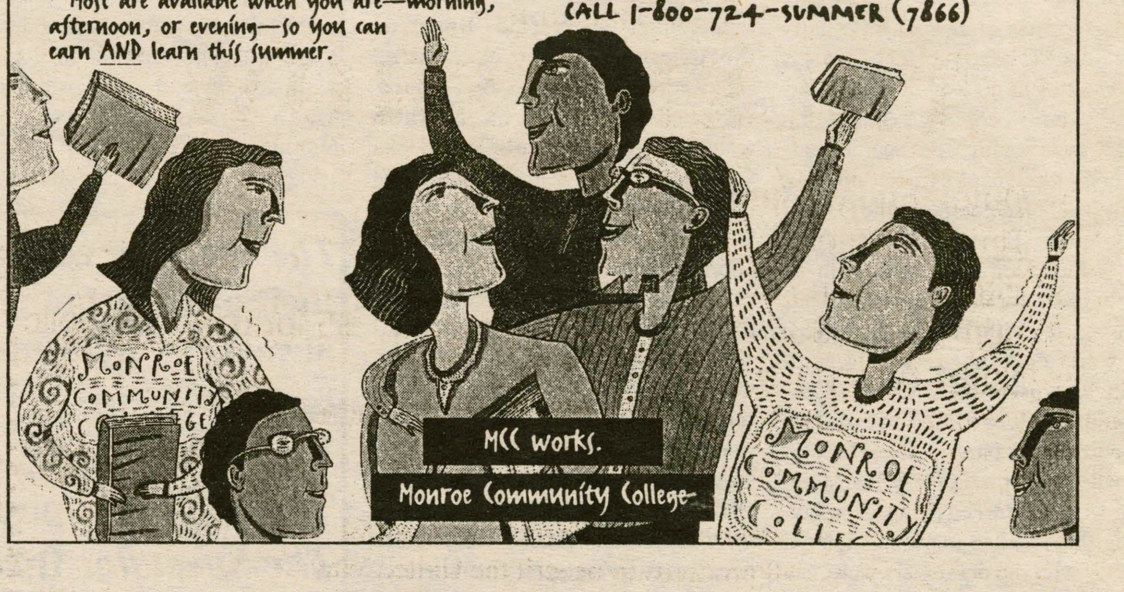

Menaham Pressler, famous pianist set to perform at dedication of new concert piano

Menaham Pressler, a pianist whose artistry *The Chicago Tribune* "doubts will ever be surpassed," will perform at Hamilton College on Friday, April 7, at 8 p.m., in Wellin Hall. The performance is part of the Music at Hamilton Artists Series. General admission is $4 for students and $13 for the general public.

A founder of the famous Beaux Arts Trio, and Distinguished Professor of Music at Indiana University, Pressler has appeared with nearly every major orchestra in the western world; including the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, the Boston Symphony, the Cleveland Orchestra, and the National Symphony.

Pressler performs a vast solo piano repertoire of great classical, romantic, impressionistic and contemporary composers. Few modern pianists can even play such a broad spectrum of pieces, but critics agree that Pressler has the grasp of style, technical ability, and sensitivity to carry such a repertoire.

Menahem Pressler

Pressler was born in Magdeburg, Germany, and spent his youth in Israel, where he received his musical training. He began his professional career in the United States at the age of 17, when he won first prize in San Francisco's first International Debussy Competition. In 1948, he made a spectacular five concert debut with the Philadelphia Orchestra which initiated his illustrious career. Most recently, Pressler recorded the Beethoven Choral Fantasy with the Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra.

During the performance, the official dedication of the College's new Steinway concert Grand Piano will be made in memory of Ethel T. Cameron. The purchase was made possible with contributions from her family and friends, and the Rhind Fund.

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Pulitzer prize winning poet to read in the Dwight Lounge

American Poet Carolyn Kizer, whose distinctions include a Pulitzer Prize, will read at Hamilton on Monday, April 3, at 8 p.m., in the Dwight Lounge. The poetry reading is free and open to the public

Kizer's career began in 1959 when she founded the magazine "Poetry Northwest," serving as editor untill 1965. Since her first book, "The Ungrateful Garden," was published by the University of Indiana Press, she has published seven others.

Honored as a poet, revered as a teacher, and respected as a spokesperson for feminism and progressive political causes, she has gained a wide audience. In addition to an award from the American Academy and Institute of Arts and Letters and the Robert Frost Medal of the Poetry Society of America, she was awarded the Pulitzer prize in Poetry in 1985. Kizer resides in Sonoma, California.

Kirkland Art Center brings bluegrass back with Ithaca-based band, Cornerstone

One of the most talked about new bluegrass bands, Ithaca-based "Cornerstone," will make a return visit to the KAC Coffeehouse on Friday, March 31, at 8p.m. Tickets are $8 and, if they aren't sold out, can be purchased at the door or they can be purchased in advance by calling 853-8871. "Cornerstone has a repertoire that demonstrates a respect for the roots of bluegrass music and yet includes new, original compositions, a touch of swing, gospel and even Cajun music."

The band was singled out by the Ithaca journal as Best Acoustic Band and as having the Best Acoustic Album for 1994. It was founded by Chris Stuart, originally from Jacksonville, Florida. He is the lead singer as well as an award-winning songwriter, guitar and banjo player. Also in the band are Dee Specker, vocals and fiddle, from Wellsville, NY; Rick Manning, fiddle, mandolin and harmony vocals from Fall River, MA; Tim Wallbridge, bass vocal and guitar from Syracuse; and Dana Paul, upright bass and vocals from Charlottesville, VA.

Since the group began in 1991, they have been building a reputation as winners. In their first year they won the Winterhawk Bluegrass Festival new band contest. the following year, the title song of their first album release, "Maggie's Daughter," moved the Bluegrass Unlimited national survey chart. In 1993, Stuart won the songwriting competition in both biuegrass and gospel categories at the Merle Watson Music festival.

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Renowned author, director to give lecture in the events barn

Jonathan Miller, whose distinguished career has ranged from author to film director, will speak here at Hamilton on Monday, April, at 8:30 p.m. in the Events Barn. The lecture is part of the Winton Tolles Lecture Series. Titled, "An Evening with Jonathan Miller," it is free and open to the public and will be followed by a question and answer period.

In the theater, he is well known for his many Shakespeare productions, including the "Merchant of Venice," with Sir Lawrence Olivier and Joan Plowright. In the summer of 1987, he directed "The Taming of the Shrew" for the Royal Shakespeare Company, and in January 1988 and October 1990, he was artistic at the Old Vic, where he directed five productions his first season.

Miller made his operatic debut in 1973, directing the British premiere of "Arden Must Die," by Alexander Goehr. Since then, he has directed at many of the world's greatest opera houses with productions that have become renowned. In 1978, for example, he made his directorial debut with the English National Opera with a new and highly original production of "The Marriage of Figaro."

Between 1990 and 1992, Miller directed new productions of Mozart's "Don Giovanni," "Cosi Fan Tutte," and "the Marriage of Figaro" at the Maggio Musicale in Florence, Italy. In May 1993, he made his debut at the Deutshe Staatsoper, Berlin, with a production of "Capriccio," and in July 1993, he directed a production of "Fedora" at the Bregenz Festival, a co-production with the Vienna Staatsoper.

Miller also has worked a great deal in television, and his series on the history of medicine, "The Body of Question," has received critical acclaim. During 1980-81 he directed 12 plays in the BBC's prestigious Shakespeare series, and in 1985-86 produced Mozart's "Cosi Fan Tutti" for television. He has recently been involved in two major television series in co-production for the BBC. Also a frequent lecturer and author, Miller has written several books, such as *The Body in Question* and *States of Mind*, both of which are based on the BBC series of the same name.

Miller was born in London, and was educated at the St. Pauls School and read natural sciences at St. John's College in Cambridge.

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Explore the bottom of a city reservoir. On a comfortable, cloudy day, immobile water is safe from sunrays, troubled winds. Dark and cozy, water may lie there for limited generations, at ease, without interruption. Observe a twist of violence contained in deep water. Deep water must abide the weight of cleaner, surface water. Water cools down to enquire on past and future journeys around the Globe. Water perceives the Globe as somebody who wastes infinite energy in transporting luxury lives. At the bottom of a city reservoir, water is dead enough to plan the evolution of its meaning.

Explore the top of a city reservoir. On some lucky sunny day, water earns a permit to be thrown out of its narrow Globe. No wind impeaches the force pulling up water from dark, calm bottom. Tropicalized droplets are exposed to light and factory fumes. Leaks dance on sink; mist plays on cement. Snow no longer disturbs alleys and parking lots. Impressive skiing areas energize at the magic of snowmaking machines. Shining slopes delight loyal customers and office explorers, at either bottom or top of a city reservoir.

Build oxygenated vapor. It bonds well with lonely CO_2, HCl, CH_4, H_2SO_4, ethyl alcohol molecules. Living organisms consume more ozone than whatever number humidity imposes. Prove arithmetical increases of acid rain in the Eastern States. Broadcast on iced wires for the goal to admire. Include geometrical damages from acid rain in the Eastern Provinces. Increase the efficiency of flooded movie studios. Conclude that icebergs, serene and friends with battleships, absorb ultraviolet rays by exponential rates, at selected South-Central Anctartica areas.

Consider a generic California computer. Amid a truckload shipped from Mexico, a generic California computer drinks water-made lucidity bytes. Upon arrival to the Eastern States and the District of Columbia, a generic California computer is given the task to permute all existing water bondings. A vertex-consistent printout, produced en masse from an array of statistical samples, shows that local water fails to meet purity levels.

There is always a river flowing to the top of a city reservoir.

There is always a clogged pipe at the bottom of a city reservoir.

There are stones napping on the bed of a river. Stones conceive a limpid universe, where quality water passes rigorous chemical tests. But on its whirl to the top of a city reservoir, mineral water erodes pious stones.

Once upon a time, when the Globe was a stormy place, water protected all stones. Rough water had the time to love a calm breeze. Sacred water was responsible for miracles in the Christian Globe. The information available does not provide for roles imposed to water in China. In a wintry forest, a bearded fellow was named Santa Claus. He tailored toys and costumes for young white males and females. His reindeer rejoiced coexistence with glacial hexagons. They raced through flaked mountains, right at the top of a projected city reservoir.

Here in the South, water no longer worries about freezing its humanity. Deluxe beaches lazily enjoy those ultraviolet rays that have an impact on tourists. Sand savors melted ice cubes with rum. Broken glass gracefully lies to the fullest extent of the shore. Seaweeds entertain the hands of colorless children. Fish fulfill an ultimate wish. They gulp down a nutritious meal; they metamorphose on a fishing line; they broaden their spirits out of the water. With fish are also lettuce, plantains, tomatoes, all indulged in plenty of garlic, on a frying pan. Oil is having a funniest fight with vigorous water. They keep on being together, but do not mix. Mothers send their children down for the day. They live up a ridge featuring a city reservoir. Children pick up water from rivers and pipes. They play around. They carry water up the ridge, in cheesy orange buckets. The children who know their father learn how to ride a donkey. They attract twice as much rum money as their peers.

A woman is back to Colombia, after a year of hard work in Venezuela's fanciest homes.

"Pepito doesn't have a little bucket."

"Everyone tells you, Teresa, dance a little bit with me."

"Open, dude, I need a favor."

"Darn it, you animal. I hate this stinky Colombians!"

The woman's bus overheats, only six hours before reaching her torrid destination. She is in the arid Guajiro land, where cacti and dirt roads form an ecosystem with marijuana plantations and frivolous police helicopters. The radiator expels engine emissions, hotter than those the generous sky conveys. In resignation, the woman excavates for warm drops. Thus does she terminate the last soda bottle she wishes to afford. Apparently the driver was drunk enough to check the radiator water, but sober enough plan on driving abroad. The driver was then at a bar. He celebrated the free ticket to screw his wife on a Colombian beach. In Caracas, the woman pawned her baptism medal, invented an excuse to her patron, and purchased an escape home on the earliest available bus. She had recently been attacked by drug-dealers and feared policemen, who would take her to jail on the basis of her nationality.

The woman is depressed on the lack of friends in her homeland. She implores her children not to swear the words she overhead near the top of a city reservoir. In Venezuela she left people behind, those who became the reason of her life. These friends eventually found good men. They moved to an innocent town that communicates with the Caribbean Sea. Now the sun shines its warmest wishes, so much that everyone spends their time repairing flat tires. Roads and highways weed, out of the cheapest oil prices in the Globe. Men design and construct condominiums. Women clean existing condominiums. Most of their children listen to the funkiest music. Some of their children work hard to escape. They will be employed at the top of a city reservoir.

—BEGIN MEMO—

Please correct any inconsistencies, this just came in from a local writer. He reports on Venezuelan issues. Hope it can be squeezed or edited in. Good luck.

—CONTINUE MANUSCRIPT—

Into an ocean, there is always a river flowing from the top of a city reservoir.

Explore the top of a city reservoir, at the bottom of a city subway grid. The water is conveniently isolated from fleuries and frost. Warm, liquid, calm by the charm of a city dam, water is pumped from office to home. A toilet overflows in a house covered with icicles. The power of nature sinks toothbrushes and printing ribbons alike. When water soaks all the toilet paper of the Globe, people in the house reluctantly smell at each other's ass. They call their generic, phallic plumber, who will promptly fix the leak. They call their generic, non-fallic maid, who will promptly clean the liquid shit that gesticulates its movements throughout a washroom.

Even though clean water is no longer at the top of a city reservoir, it is not supposed to overflow. Water must mellow down to concentrate on the poetry of traveling to various city locations. In an effort to pacify consumers, effective at press time, it has been determined that, if water is found guilty of containing polluting agents, it will be dumped into the bottom of a city reservoir, to the fullest extent of the law.

Water appreciates the sweat of a certain woman who holds a sponge and detergent. She manages to concentrate a sticky mixture into a sterile toilet drain. Explore the shitty water and its relaxation from restroom urges. Dense, almost immobile, safe from sunrays, from farting winds, water has lost its twist of violence. On a comfortable, cloudy day, in its endless cycle, for limited generations, there will always be a pipe that flows into the bottom of a city reservoir.

Proposed budget cuts for the New York State Council on The Arts will effectively cut several arts programs throughout the state. To oppose the cuts, contact these state leaders:

Governor George Pataki
Executive Chamber
State Capitol
Albany, New York 12224

Senator William R. Sears
Rm 9051 Legislative Building
Albany, New York 12247

SUMMER INTERNSHIPS
WITH THE ONEIDA NATION OF WISCONSIN

The Oneida Nation Library will be offering two summer internships from June 12 - July 21, 1995 (six weeks) at the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin near Green Bay, Wisconsin. The library internship will deal with the written history, artifacts, language and cultural programming connected with the library, as well as the day to day functioning of library activities. The Oneida Nation library is, in many ways, the focal point of the reservation, working with the community on a number of projects -- including the Oneida Nation Arts Program. Students could help with any of these programs, as well as designing an internship that meets the needs of the library in these areas. One student last year designed a creative writing program for Oneida children that has become an on-going program at ONL it was so successful in complementing the reading program! Students will shape the final internship program in consultation with Mrs. Judy Cornelius, Director of the Oneida Nation Library and its Oneida Nation Arts program. It may also be possible to arrange an internship with the reservation health and/or social center, if there are interested students who qualify.

All final arrangements for internships, as well as students chosen for the internships, will be made by Mrs. Judy Cornelius, Director of the Oneida Nation Library. In general, the internships will run for 6 weeks, carry a $5 plus stipend (depending upon experience) and room and board will be provided.

Requirements: 1) background/course work in Native American Studies; 2) membership in NASSA (including being on NASSA's Native Studies internships list); 3) preferably junior or senior (though exceptional sophomore's may apply); 4) B average or better; 5) interests and areas of study that would complement the internship program.

Contact: NASSA & Prof. Vogel Further information; and for application form contact Prof. M.L.Vanessa Vogel, Religious Studies Dept. and NASSA through whom the internship program is being coordinated with Hamilton College (x-4131).

* There will be an informational meeting held at the first weekly NASSA meeting after spring Break (probably Sunday, April 9 at ELS -- 10 p.m. See you there!

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Three each summer programs assistants: full-time, May 22-August 14, board (when Food Service is in Operation) and room included. Applications due April 11, 1995;

Three each summer residence host positions available to summer students employed full-time, May 22-August 11, housing provided. Applications due April 14, 1995;

Four each summer lifeguards, full-time, June 1-August 14, housing available. Applications due April 14, 1995;

One each Summer Health Center Staff: full-time, May 22-August 14; housing available. Staff member will assist nurse by taking notes, answering the phone, taking inventory of supplies and other duties as assigned. No medical training is necessary. Applications due April 14, 1995;

Applications available at the Office of Contract Services, Buttrick Hall, Ext. 4303

31 *Friday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

7:30 **Film:** **Why Has Bodhi Dharma Left for the East?** Sponsored by the Foreign and Fine Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.$

7:30 **IVCF Large Group Meeting.** Room 201, Schambach Center.

8:00 **Hamilton College Choir Tour Concert.** Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.

1 *Saturday*

9:30-11:30 **Conference.** Confronting Chaos: US Intervention in Bosnia and Haiti. "US Military Intervention in Haiti: Success or Fail ure?" Chair & Commentary, Samuel Lewis, Professor of International Af fairs. Speakers Lawrence Pezzullo, Former Special Advisor on Haiti to President Clinton & Forner Ambassador to Nicaragua and Uruguay; Robert Fatton, Professor of Government and Foreign Affairs, University of Virginia. Sponsored by Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center and Government Depart ment. Science Auditorium.

10:00-5:00 **Upstate NY Writing Center Consor tium Annual Conference.** Writing tutors from Colgate, Hamilton, Plattsburgh, St. Lawrence, Union, and Utica College. Sponsored by the Nesbitt-Johnston Writing Center. Kirner-Johnson Building.

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1:00-4:00 **Conference.** Confronting Chaos: US Intervention in Bosnia and Haiti. "The United States and the War in Bosnia". Chair, Alan Cafruny, Department of Government, Hamilton College. Speakers Ambassador Muhammed Sacirbey; Chuck Sudetic, Balkan Cor respondent, The New York Times; Bogdan Denitch, Professor of So - ciology, City Unitversity of New York; Commentary: Richard Haass, Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations. Science Auditorium.

6:00 **South American Pan flute musicians (Andean Music), Andes Manta. Sponsored by La Vanguardia. Fillius Events Barn.**

8:00 **HPAS.** "BeauSoleil." Cajun music spiced with blues, country, Texmex, and Caribbean styles. Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.$

9:00 **Salsa & Merengue Dance Party.** Sponsored by La Vanguardia. Fillius Events Barn.

9:00 **Rave Dance Party.** Sponsored by CAB. The Hub, Bristol Campus Center.

10:00 **Film.** Sponsored by the Foreign and Fine Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.$

2 *Sunday*

12:30 **Hillel Bagel Brunch.** Azel Backus House.

1:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

7:30 **Film:** **Why Has Bodhi Dhrama Left for the East?** Sponsored by the Foreign and Fine Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.$

3 *Monday*

11:00- **Conversations with President Gene Tobin.** Beinecke Village.

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

3:00 **College Course 300 Film: Federico Fellini, 8 1/2 (Italy '63).** Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.

8:00 **Tolles Lecture Series.** "An Evening with Jonathen Miller." Wellin Hall, Schambach Center $.

9:00 **GLBSA Weekly Meeting.** Keehn 2 floor Lounge.

4 *Tuesday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

8:00 **Lecture: "Butterfly, Monkey and the Floating World: Metaphors Crucial in Under standing Asian American Writers."** James Lu, Comparitive Literature. Spon sored by AAUP Journal Club. Assembly Room at Bristol Campus Center.

5 *Wednesday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

3:00 & 7:30 **College Course 300 Film: Stanley Kubrick, 2001: A Space Odyssey (USA '68).** Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.

7:00 **Campus Activities Board Weekly Meeting.** Basement, Bristol Campus Center.

6 *Thursday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

5:30 **Alcoholics Anonymous.** Open meeting: all are welcome. Fisher Room, Bristol Campus Center.

8:00 **Acoustic Coffeehouse featur ing Hamilton College stu dents.** Sponsored by CAB. Fillius Events Barn.

MOVIES

Sangertown 797-2121

Born to Be Wild	*6:40, 9:10*
Tank Girl	*7:10, 9:50*
Man of the House	*7:00*
Loosing Isaah	*9:15*
Major Pain	*6:50, 9:35*
Tommy Boy	*7:20, 9:40*
Dolare Clairborne	*6:35, 9:25*
Tell Tale	*7:05*
CandyMan	*9:45*
Bye, Bye Love	*6:45, 9:20*
Outbreak	*6:30, 9:30*

Clinton Cinema 853-5553

Outbreak	*7:00- 9:30*

Up Town 797-0020

Billy Madison	*7:00- 9:30*
Roommates	*7:00- 9:30*
The Brady Bunch Movie	*7:00- 9:30*
Legends of the Fall	*7:00, 9:30*

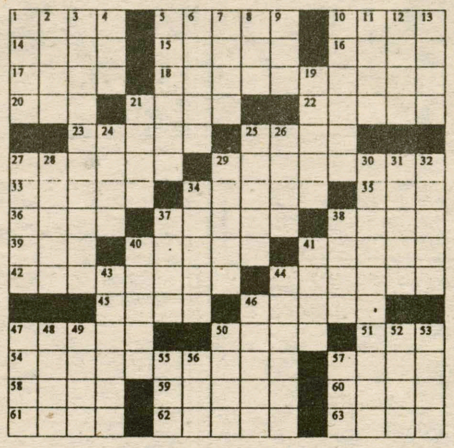
On Campus

Why Has Bodhi Dharma Left for the East?
Fri., Sun., @7:30, Sat. @ 10:00

All cinemas have matinees.
Clinton Cinema has only Saturday matinees.

Crossword 101

" Double Trouble " By Gerry Frey



ACROSS
1 *Double*___
5 New York state tree
10 Give a hand
14 Cupid
15 North of Virginia
16 Cartoonist Peter
17 Obsenity
18 *Chewing gum*
20 Bill
21 German ones
22 Chops
23 Actor Greene
25 Plead
27 Dear Parisienne
29 *Double* _____
33 Weighed down
34 Industrial engineers; abr
35 Paddle
36 Swit.'s neighbor
37 South American mountains
38 Char
39 Encountered
40 Racer Bobby or Al
41 Playwright Edward
42 *Double* ______
44 Scarves
45 Craving
46 Dish
47 Courtyards
50 Abstain from food
51 Doll, for one
54 *Look again*
57 Flat mountain top
58 Prefix for potent
59 French stop
60 *Double* _____
61 Puts
62 Layers
63 Andy's pal

DOWN
1 Number one
2 Ms. Bombeck
3 *Four on the town*
4 Type of plane
5 Actor Matthew
6 Without help
7 Math sign
8 Ad ___
9 Snakelike fish
10 Father ____:Leper missionary
11 Mr. Dickerson
12 Sullivan or Frank
13 Many
19 Rims
21 ____ go braugh
24 Pitcher Hershiser
25 Beneath
26 Hwys.
27 Scale
28 Loather
29 Finished
30 *Two on one*
31 Street show
32 Sea birds
34 Map part
37 Picnic pests
38 Soak up
40 Ordinary
41 A tit for ____
43 Excuses
44 Partially frozen raindrops
46 Stingy person
47 Fusses
48 One in a volume
49 Smallest pig
50 *Double*____
52 Old Christiana
53 Chatters
55 Have a meal
56 Prefix meaning three
57 Bus or subway; abr

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Quotable Quote

I once said cynically of a politician, "He'll double-cross that bridge when he comes to it."

Oscar Lavent

Doonesbury
BY G.B. TRUDEAU

Doonesbury BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Personals

To the kind person who returned my course books!

I would like to thank you for returning my course books, which were accidentally donated to the Root Hall Free Books Box for students a couple of weeks ago. I really do need them - thanks again for getting them back to me so quickly and sorry about the confusion.

Best wishes -

Prof. M.L. Vanessa Vogel
Religious Studies Dept.

Bonnie Reiber -

Congratulations on your championship skating victory! If I throw oranges at you, will Hamilton recognize your win on the ice?

Love, Your Fans

To The Fabu Bahama Crew-

Hand grenades…Rum Punch…Imperial take-out…Thanks for a great Spring Break, I had a blast!

Love, T.

Lazy-stingy, closet, not my friend & I still don't have a name-

Just a few things I thought you'd want to remember…
Boats can float (even cruise ships, ask CSB).
Broccoli is good. Sprite is from Jesus,
McDonald's is not (except egg McMuffins-no meat)
Red patent leather bags should never be owned,
and if you stub your toe on Monday & I stub my toe on Tuesday, it will be less than pleasant.

-You're the best-(5 years)

To all the future Hamilton students-

Congratulations! We hope to meet all of you soon!

To K-Joy:

I can shave your legs better than Gabe can. Meet me tonight and I'll show you how.

Love, CH

Lieber kRut,

Sorry if I've been "aergerlich" this week. Stay happy and know that I love you! Good luck on Saturday Mr. Calopigian!

Love, T.A.

Answers to last week's crossword puzzle

KING JAMES & OTHERS

B	A	J	A	■	A	C	T	E	D	■	S	W	I	M
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J	A	M	E	S	B	A	K	E	R	■	L	A	I	D
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Hamilton's Athletes of the Week

—COMPILED BY SPECTATOR SPORTS

Men's Basketball Team

STATISTICS:

- --advanced to the Sweet Sixteen in NCAA Division III Tournament
- --21-5 record
- --Coach Murphy's 13th 20 win season

The Hamilton men's basketball team enjoyed a remarkable season advancing to the semi-finals in their first-ever NCAA Division III Championship Tournament. The Continentals finished the season with an impressive 21-5 record. Congratulations, Continentals! You are *Hamilton's Athletes of the Week.*

OTHER PEAK PERFORMERS

Jason Barnes

First-year Jason Barnes has been a pleasant surprise for the men's tennis team. This spring Barnes has a 6-1 record at the #6 singles spot. Way to go, Jason!

Women's lacrosse returns from Orlando

Aims for 16th consecutive winning season

BY BRIAN COHEN '96
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The Continentals opened with a gusto in a dramatic, 6-5, come-from-behind win over Bowdoin on March 21st.

After the first half Bowdoin held a 5-1 lead but Isabel Roberts '97 led the climb back with three goals. Kate Harris '97 proved to be invaluable with two goals and the assist on Roberts' game winner.

Unfortunately, the Continentals could not carry the success into their next three games. On March 23rd, the Continentals turned out an offensive explosion but fell short by one goal to Connecticut College 12-11. Mandy Morrison '97 had an extraordinary game with four goals. Also making key contributions were Joanna Peters '97 with two goals and Roberts who had a goal and an assist.

On March 26th the team returned to Hamilton to host Bates. The offensive production witnessed against Connecticut College was lacking against Bates. Judy Whitaker '97 scored the only two goals in the 8-2 loss.

Last Wednesday, the Continentals faced tough competition in William Smith and fell 20-9. Whitaker led the offensive production for the second consecutive game scoring five goals, but William Smith, undefeated and ranked third in Division III, came out flying in the second half with seven straight goals.

The Continentals are an exciting, young team who will surely add to the win column during the coming season. With the leadership and experience of captains Gail Szakacs '95 and Allison Wandelt '95, the women's lacrosse team should continue their yearly success with a 16th consecutive winning season.

Hamilton College 5-mile Road Race

Sunday, April 23, 1995, at 10:00 a.m.

START AND FINISH AT HAMILTON COLLEGE

Course: A beautiful single-loop starting and finishing by the Fieldhouse. There are two gradual hills with gradual downhills at the start and finish.

Awards: $100 bond to top overall men's and women's finishers
$75 bond to overall men's and women's 2nd place finishers
$50 bond to overall men's and women's 3rd place finishers

Entry Fee: $3 Hamilton College students, faculty and staff received by 4/14/95
$8 Non-college community received by 4/14/95
$10 Race day entry

Free T-shirts will be given to all those who pre-register

Registration: By mail or in person to Ann Haggerty, Intramurals Office, Hamilton College, Clinton, NY 13323. For more information call Race Director Ann Haggerty at (315) 859-4806.

First Annual Intercollegiate Figure Skating Competition held at MIT

Elizabeth Reiber '97 represented Hamilton College at the first-ever Intercollegiate Figure Skating competition held March 25, at MIT's Johnson Athletics Center.

Reiber placed 1st in the Junior Free Skating event and 2nd in the Junior Compulsory Moves event. Hamilton College was tied for 4th in the overall standings at the conclusion of the events which drew competitors from 11 colleges and universities.

This competition featured intermediate through senior-level competition. Points were awarded to individuals and teams skating from a college or university with the highest number of points.

This United States Figure Skating Association-sanctioned event was open to all skaters currently enrolled in a full-time degree program at any accredited college.

It was organized by the Collegiate Program Committee of the United States Figure Skating Association, which seeks to encourage and promote figure skating in colleges and universities, and hosted at MIT, which contributed access to the ice rink and other resources.

SUMMER PROGRAMS 1995

TWO COMPLETE 5-WEEK PROGRAMS:
May 31 - July 4 & July 10 - Aug. 10

Special courses in film to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Cinema. Also, more than 80 courses from the University's curriculum, offered for credit or non-credit. Full cultural program and excursions to historic regions of France.

FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM: June 12-30

Contact: U.S. Office: 80 East 11th St., Suite 434, New York, NY 10003-6000

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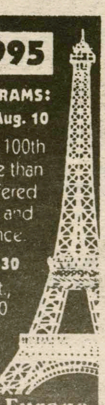

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Spring break post-season highlights

While spring break marked the beginning of Hamilton's spring season it also included an exciting winter post season.

The women's swimming and diving team came away with the best finish of any previous Hamilton swim team at the NCAA Championship Meet at Wesleyan during the weekend of March 9-11. The Continentals finished 12th in the nation with a team point total of 104.5.

Liz Sichol '96 earned All-American status in three events, placing third in the 1650 free in 17:21.39, seventh in the 500 free in 5:05.11. Sichol also earned honorable mention All-America honors for a 10th-place finish in the 200 free in 1:56.33.

The team of Kate Quick '95, Anne Griffin '96, Wendy Marrs '97, and Sichol led the 400 free relay to an eighth place finish in 3:39.19. In addition, Quick took honorable mention All-America honors in the 200 free, placing 16th with a 1:58.64 and Marrs placed 11th in the 50 free in 24.7, earning her honorable mention All-America status.

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The men's swimming and diving team competed in the NCAA Division III Championship Meet at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio and matched last year's notable performance by finishing 18th with a team score of 56. Jonathon Greene '95 led the Continentals with honorable mention All-America honors in the 1650 free with a 12th place finish and in the 500 freestyle with a 15th place finish. Jacob Michlewicz '95 also earned honorable mention All-America honors in the 100 and 200 fly. Justin Kreter '97 earned honorable mention All-America status with his 14th place finish in the 200 breast.

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The men's basketball team made it to the Sweet Sixteen in their first-ever trip to the NCAA Division III Men's Basketball Championships. On Friday, March 10, 1995 the Continentals ended their season with a 96-86 loss to New Jersey Institute of Technology, the #1 seed of the Atlantic Region. NJIT took the early lead but Hamilton battled back to take a 46-45 halftime lead on Al Lewis' fade away three pointer. NJIT proved why they only lost one regular season game with their hot outside shooting to take an 81-72 lead with four minutes remaining in the game. Erin McCann '95 led the Continentals with 23 points while Fran D'Agata '95 and Joe Mrozienski '96 each added 17 points.

A complete listing of events on the Hill 24 hours a day! Call the

WHCL 88.7 FM/ Hamilton College Events Line

at 859-4200, then press '6' on your touch-tone phone

This Week in Hamilton Sports

Sport	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.
Men's Baseball		RIT (2) 1:00 p.m.	Rochester (2) 1:00 p.m.				
Men's Golf							
Men's Lacrosse		Potsdam 1:00 p.m.					Keuka 4:00 p.m.
Women's Lacrosse		St. Lawrence 1:00 p.m.			RPI 4:00 p.m.		
Men's Tennis		Bates Invitational TBA			RPI 3:30 p.m.	Oneonta 4:00 p.m.	
Women's Softball							SUNY Utica (2) 4:30 p.m.
Track & Field		Rochester 11:00 a.m.				MVCC relays 4:00 p.m.	

Indicates Home Game (shaded box)

Indicates Away Game (unshaded box)

Beat the "Experts"

Each pick has been selected to win contest outright. *If any given game ends in a tie, that game is thrown out of the lineup. Beat the "Experts"* is by no means associated with organized gambling on professional or college sports. Whichever Guest Handicapper posts the best winning percentage during their week will be selected as *The Garden Cafe Athlete of the Week* (honorary) in the final issue of this semester and will be entitled to all the perks therein, namely the free pizza with the works from *The Garden Cafe* and their picture in *The Spectator.*

Specially Selected Sporting Events	Sam Walker *Spectator Sports Editor*	Brian Cohen *Associate Sports Editor*	Trip MacCracken *Associate Sports Editor*	Adeline Cook *Guest #1 Copy Editor*	Greg Nussbaum *Guest #2 Sports Writer*
	Last Week: 6-6 To date: 51-36	Last Week: 7-5 To date: 45-42	Last Week: 6-6 To date: 48-39	Last Week's Guest: Justin Ledden '97 7-5	Last Week's Guest: Jayson Wenstrup '97 8-4
NBA					
Orlando at Utah 3/31	Orlando	Orlando	Utah	Orlando	Orlando
Atlanta at L.A. Lakers 3/31	L.A. Lakers	L.A. Lakers	Atlanta	Atlanta	L.A. Lakers
Miami at Boston 3/31	Miami	Boston	Boston	Miami	Boston
Phoenix at San Antonio 4/2	San Antonio	Phoenix	Phoenix	Phoenix	San Antonio
Portland at Indiana 4/2	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana
New York at New Jersey 4/2	New York	New York	New Jersey	New York	New York
NCAA Final Four					
UCLA vs Oklahoma St. 4/1	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA
North Carolina vs. Arkansas 4/1	Arkansas	North Carolina	Arkansas	North Carolina	North Carolina
National Champion	Arksansas	UCLA	Arkansas	UCLA	UCLA
NHL					
N.Y. Rangers vs. Philadelphia 4/2	New York	New York	Philadelphia	New York	Philadelphia
Boston vs. Washington 4/2	Washington	Boston	Boston	Boston	Boston
Dallas vs. Chicago 4/2	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago

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Jordan Back and Flying High

Scores 55 in showdown with Knicks

In the NCAA: OK, OK, so my Final Four picks were less than stellar- I hit on only North Carolina. And so much for my telling you that UCLA would be knocked off somewhere before Seattle. It didn't happen. But, I will not hesitate to risk inserting foot into mouth once again, as I boldly predict an Arkansas- UCLA Championship, with Arkansas putting it all together for the first time this season, as they repeat as national champs. (Let's go Nolan Richardson, I'm counting on your Hogs to help me save face!)... Over-excited announcer Dick Vitale agrees, as he predicts an Arkansas win over UCLA in the Finals. If nothing else, I'm in well-known company this time around... I came across the graduation rates for the basketball programs of the four schools in the Final Four. North Carolina has the only respectable rate, at 77%. Arkansas graduates 38% of their male hoopsters, UCLA 33%, and Oklahoma 7%. Yes, that's 7%, which means that exactly one of the 12 Cowboy players is likely to graduate... Look for Wisconsin-Green Bay coach Dick Bennett to fill the University of Wisconsin coaching vacancy. Meanwhile, former Tulsa coach Tubby Smith, who moved his team into the Sweet 16 the past two seasons, has accepted the Georgia position... Rumor has it that Kentucky's Rodrick Rhodes will skip his senior season to enter the NBA draft. Big mistake. Rhodes has yet to demonstrate consistency at the college level, and accordingly, has been advised by a panel of NBA General Managers to stay in school...

Scorecard

Trip MacCracken

In the NBA: Maverick guard Jason Kidd was named NBA player of the week on March 20. So what? Well, since 1980, only two rookie guards have won the honor. Magic Johnson and Michael Jordan... Speaking of Mr. Jordan, I, like the rest of the basketball-loving world, am excited that he has returned. If you had the chance to see his first-half performance (he scored 35 points) against the Knicks earlier this week, you'll understand what Jordan brings to the NBA. He's the one player in the league that instantly lifts his team to championship contender... As for Scottie Pippen, it appears that he'll have to learn to return to life in Jordan's shadow. Personally, I think that Pippen was never comfortable in the role of team leader. Although his performance on the court has been superb- he is the Bulls leader in points, rebounds, assists, blocks, and steals- his attitude after Jordan's departure always demonstrated his unhappiness. Pippen is surely glad to have Jordan back by his side, as the pressure to carry the Bulls by himself is gone... Houston will have a hard time repeating as NBA champ. Hakeem Olajuwon and Vernon Maxwell have both been diagnosed with anemia, which means that they have thin blood and will fatigue more quickly than normal. Both have missed games recently, and face a questionable prognosis for the rest of the year. As if losing Olajuwon and Maxwell wasn't enough, the Rockets also have to face recent history. In the past ten seasons, the NBA champ has not had a losing streak longer than four games at any point during the season. For what it's worth, Houston has already had a five-game losing streak... Looking way ahead to the NBA draft, it seems to be weak in terms of seniors. Most of the immediate impact players are underclassmen, and would be wise to come out early. Two immediate impact seniors are UCLA's Ed O'Bannon and Michigan State's Shawn Respert. Damon Stoudamire's NBA prospects would be solidified if he projected at either the point or at shooting guard, instead of somewhere in between. Aside from those three, the best talent lies in the sophomore class, with Joe Smith, Rasheed Wallace, Jerry Stackhouse, Tim Duncan and Marcus Camby making the most attractive NBA prospects...

In the NFL: Browns fans across the country are rejoicing at the Browns' signing of receiver Andre Rison. Rison's talent is unquestioned, probably second only to Jerry Rice. His attitude and demeanor, however, are a different story. Certainly, Rison brings a big-play element to the Browns offense, but his off the field exploits could serve to destroy the Browns chemistry, one of their constant positives last season... After the Browns traded Eric Metcalf to the Falcons and swapped first-rounders with the Falcons, rumor has the Browns trying to trade up from the #10 slot to try and get Penn State's Ki-Jana Carter. After having one of the most boring offenses in the league the past few seasons, the Browns would certainly be nothing short of exciting if they could acquire Carter to go with Rison. Put those two with the improved Vinny Testaverde, and the Browns are suddenly, dare I say it, explosive... Meanwhile, the 49ers lost some of their explosion when Rickey Watters left to go to Philadelphia. Watters was never really the featured player in San Francisco, but will certainly be the focus of the Eagles offensive scheme. To make room for Watters, the Eagles released Herschel Walker. Interestingly, whom do you think is among the many teams interested in obtaining Walker's services? None other than the 49ers, of course... Pittsburgh tight end Eric Green moved to the Dolphins, making Keith Jackson expendable. Jackson and receiver Mark Ingram both went to Green Bay...

Quotables & Miscellaneous: Looking back: ESPN's Peter Gammons was way off when he predicted in August that the baseball strike would last only a week or two. At the same time, Bill Conlin of the *Sports Reporters* said, "not even Adolf Hitler or Kaiser could erase the World Series. I refuse to believe Reinsdorf, Ravitch and Fehr can do it". If only these two had been correct... Orlando Magic guard Dennis Scott explains why teammate Shaquille O'Neal shaved his head after growing his hair for a few weeks: "He's too pretty with hair. He needed to become the old Shaq again, the one that scares people."... And finally, Tony Dorsett, offering his services to Lawrence Taylor in his Wrestlemania debut against Bam Bam Bigelow, for a small fee of course: "Hey LT, for $1 million, do you need a tag-team partner?"

My Two Cents

A Walk(er) Down Memory Lane

By Samuel M. Walker '96
SPORTS EDITOR

As we prepare ourselves for the spring season of Hamilton sports, the memory of the men's basketball team still lingers. The following moments of Hamilton's first trip to the Division III Sweet Sixteen are still vivid.

...The announcement came at the Bristol Campus Center that Hamilton was to face Plattsburgh in the first round. The various media outlets in attendance provided an extra sense of importance to the event.

...500 tickets were sold the first day available and throughout the week ticket sales soared.

...Thursday night's game began at 7:30 p.m. The crowd was impressive. The Bundy Scott Field House was approximately 85% filled to capacity. At about 7:15 "the Pound" showed up and, boy, were they ready to rumble! Dressed in all sorts of attire, they provided a tangible sixth man for the Continentals.

...Then, the game. Led by Matt Stowell and Scott Pace, Hamilton manhandled Plattsburgh. Hamilton played solid basketball, shooting an amazing 56 percent from the floor. Joe Mrozienski's dunk put a cap on the night, as the crowd sensed Hamilton could really go far. **Final Score: Hamilton 83-74.**

...Saturday night. With the announcement of the Residential Life decision, many were wary of the students reaction at Hamilton's game versus Buffalo. There was no need to worry because more school spirit was shown that night than in my first three years combined. "The Pound's" usual game energy transcended throughout the whole crowd, and students were even witnessed giving high fives to President Tobin. Fran D'Agata '95 was on fire from 3 point range, shooting 6-11 from behind the line on his way to a 20 point effort. Hamilton's defense thwarted Buffalo State's offensive attack. **Final Score: Hamilton 79-64.**

...Friday night, Hamilton was to face New Jersey Institute of Technology (27-1), the #1 seed in the Atlantic region. As I was sitting in the press row getting ready to announce the game on WRUN, I was surprised at the amount of Hamilton students, alumni, and fans who came to the game. (After all, spring break had officially started.) Although NJIT had the homecourt advantage in the cozy Entwisle Gymnasium, the Hamilton fans provided the team with a spark. Of the 1150 fans in attendance, Hamilton's crowd made up a good 300. Although NJIT featured two of the top players in Division III basketball, Hamilton was not intimidated. The game was fast paced, and despite the tough defensive pressure by NJIT in the first half, Hamilton played tough nosed hoops. Erin McCann blocked a shot in the first half invoking the image of Marcus Camby. Like UNLV of old, Hamilton ran the fast break to perfection on many occasions. When Al Lewis' fade away three pointer at the end of the first half gave its first lead of the game at 46-45, the Continentals chances looked good.

...In the second half, NJIT showed why they had only lost one game all season. Their quickness and height proved too much for Hamilton. But undeniable the loss was not because of a lack of effort. **Final Score: 96-86.**

.... Hamilton's advancement to the Sweet Sixteen in its first year of playing in the tournament is a feat in itself; a feat for which the players and coaches deserve a tremendous amount of credit. As a fan, I will always hold this season as a fond memory and I'm sure many others will too. What this team has provided for themselves and their followers can never be taken away.

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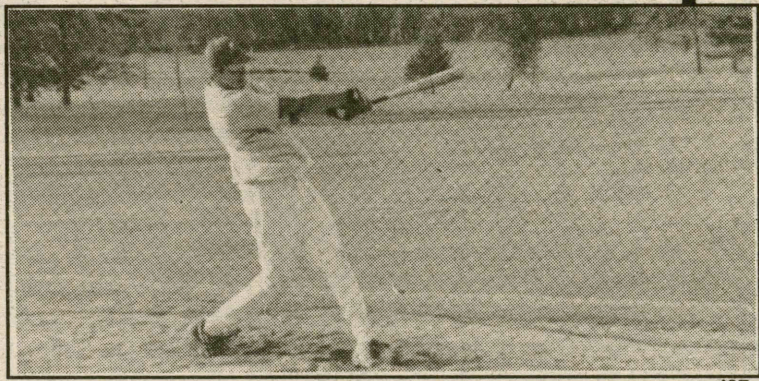
Men's baseball picks up two victories on Florida roadtrip

By Mark Granovsky '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER



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Jason Tagliaferri '96 will be a key player in the infield for the Continentals this spring.

"We were in every game," remarked head coach Mike Davis on his team's 2-5 performance in Florida. The Continentals proved this with heartbreak losses to Nichols College (5-4), St. Mary's (4-2), Brockport State (9-6), and Albright College (2-1) before returning to New York. The trip was not a total loss as Hamilton notched wins over Susquehanna College (4-3) and Dickinson College (10-8).

In the game against Susquehanna, outfielder Ryan Christ '95 knocked in the winning run in the sixth inning. Christ, second baseman John Kowalczik '96, and outfielder Adam Rowland '95 all registered two hits. The win over Dickinson was a slugfest with pitcher Brian Gusatella '98 going 3 for 4 and scoring two runs. First Baseman Sean Fay '98 went 2 for 3 and drove in three runs.

The Continentals are in the middle of a youth movement this season with eight firstyears on the squad. Talent is all around with pitcher/outfielder Gusatella, pitcher Joe Rowbottom '98, and first baseman/pitcher Sean Fay making key contributions. Rowbottom was the stopper for the Continentals in Florida, going 2-0 with seven strikeouts in ten innings of work. Gusatella leads the team with a .580 average (7/12) and Fay holds a .380 average (4/9). "We are trying to see where the team needs to be built." explained Coach Davis.

Other stars of the trip included Rowland with a .410 batting average and second baseman John English '98 who batted .380, going 3 for 8. Christ (the only left-hand hitter on the team), in addition to his hitting feats, pitched a complete game in the loss to Albright with seven strikeouts.

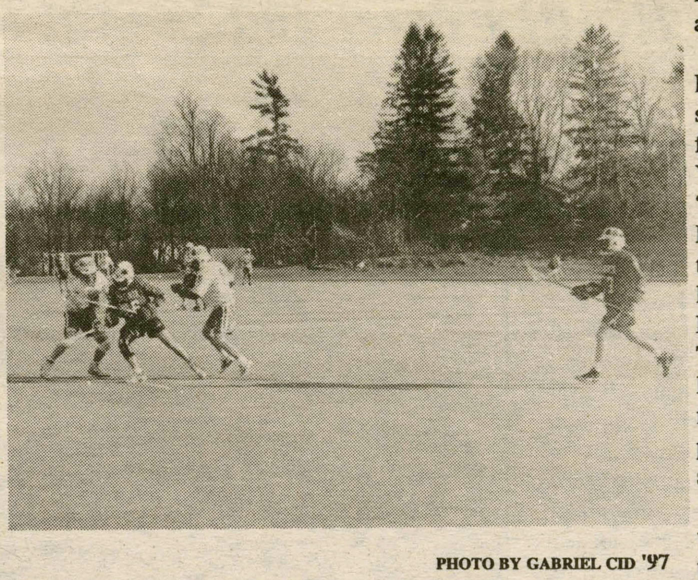
All of Hamilton's wins and losses go towards NCAA Division III standings. "We're not in any league-we're independent," notes Coach Davis.

The Continentals play a doubleheader against R.I.T. at home this Saturday at 1:00 p.m. Hamilton split the two games against R.I.T. last year winning 3-2 in the second game in Rochester. Hamilton posted a 6-16 record in 1994 with a 2-3 record at home.

Men's lacrosse falls to Oneonta

By Rick Pizzo '96
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

The Hamilton men's lacrosse team started their 1995 season in victorious fashion this past Saturday with a 10-6 triumph over the University of Rochester. Unfortunately, the Continentals could not keep the early streak alive and fell at the hands of Oneonta College on Wednesday, by a score of 13-9.



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The men's lacrosse team hopes to rebound this Saturday when they play Potsdam at home.

Saturday's win displayed some of the Continental's most valued possessions in attackmen Eric Freidman '98 and Doug Prezzano '97. Freidman tallied three times for his first hat trick of the young season and Prezzano added a goal and an assist to lead the offensive attack. Anthony Cunningham '95 played well in what may be the hardest position in all of sports, lacrosse goaltender, stopping nineteen of twenty five shots.

Wednesday's contest did not prove as fruitful for the home team, as Oneonta jumped out to a first half lead that they would never relinquish. Though the final score was 13-9, the Continentals saw positive aspects in a large portion of their play. Captain Martin Hilfinger '95 scored three times, giving Hamilton their second three goal performance in as many games. Cunningham split time in the nets with Harris Dague '98, who is sure to see quality time behind the starter this season. Owen "Dope Guy" Hall scored once and added two assists to compliment Hilfinger's outstanding individual performance.

As for the rest of the season, the Continentals look toward what should be an extremely successful campaign. Defense is a strong point for the buff and blue, as Harry Taylor '96, John Fitzpatrick '95, John Bomann '96, and Hunter Marvel '96, all possess more than adequate size and strength to move the opposition from prime scoring areas.

At midfield, Hamilton will look to senior leadership from Hilfinger, Rob Young, and "Smokin'" Joe Phillips. Added to the core will be stellar underclassmen Prezzano and Hall. The Continentals will look to their midfield for serious offensive production this season.

Up front, the team will be led by a contingent of young players. Jamie Walsh '97, Tommy White '98, Chuck Endris '98, and Freidman can all fire the ball and should put up some quality numbers this year.

In goal, Cunningham will see most of the action, with Dague backing him. Glenn Manjos '98, should also see some action in the nets.

Trivia Time

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1. Miami Heat
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3. Dean Smith
4. O.J. Simpson, Charles White, Marcus Allen, Mike Garrett

This Week's Questions:

1. What NBA team currently has the most consecutive winning seasons?
2. How many times has a #4 seed won the NCAA Men's Basket ball Tournament?
3. When was the last time UCLA made the Final Four?
4. Which player has more career points: Michael Jordan, Dominique Wilkins, Larry Bird, or Robert Parish?

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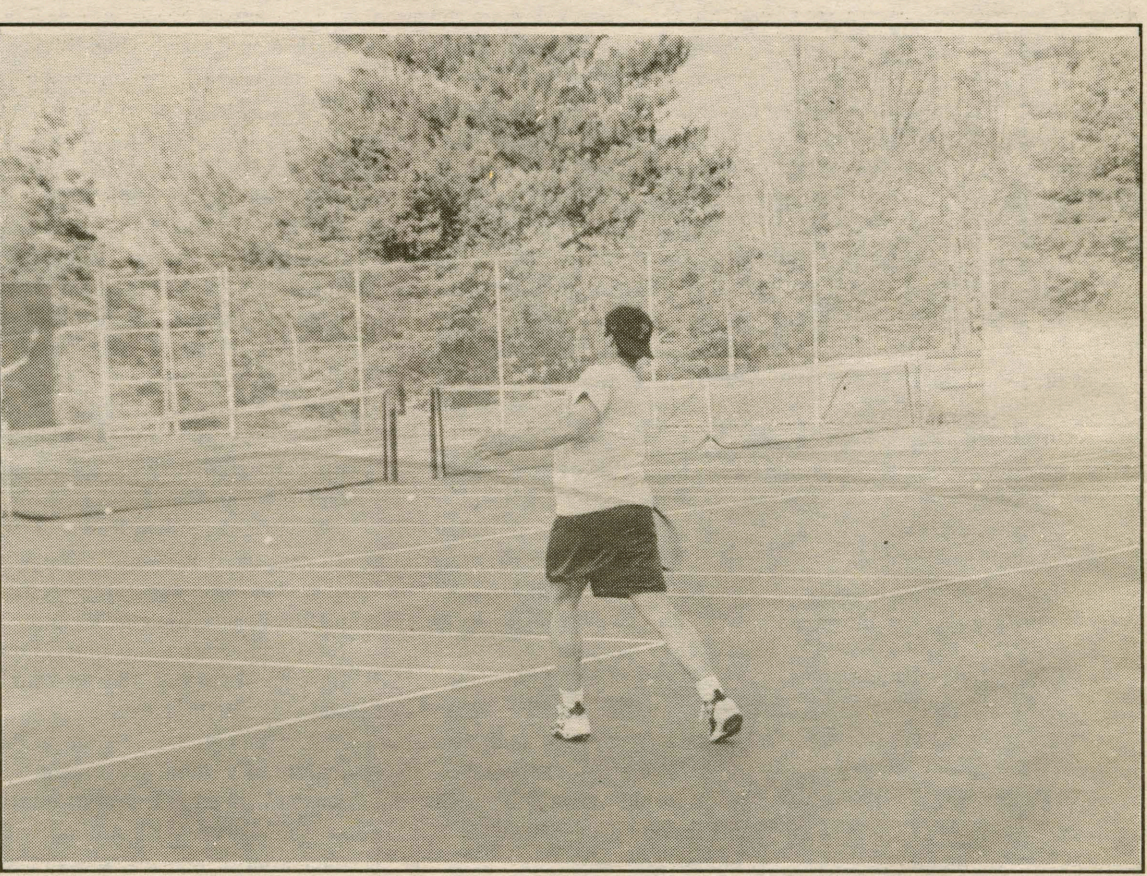
Men's tennis team starts season with an ace

By Todd Monsell '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

The Hamilton men's tennis team opened their season with a bang, serving up a 6-1 record. The team spent spring break on South Carolina's Hilton Head Island, a traditional tennis mecca, playing matches on consecutive days from March 19-24. When it was all said and done, the Continentals had retreated to the friendly confines of central New York having defeated Vassar (7-2), Carleton (5-4), Greenville (5-4), Carnegie-Mellon (5-4), and St. Thomas (6-2). Their sole defeat on the island was to nationally ranked Tufts (0-7). On campus Tuesday, the Continentals also got the better of St. Lawrence, 7-2.

Coach Kelley McElroy was understandably pleased with her team's quick start. She stressed that the team has great morale and cohesion, and seems to have no real weak spot. This is backed up by the impressive records of the singles players, all of which are .500 or higher. The team is led by sophomore J.W. Hobson at #1 singles, who has smashed his way to a 4-3 record against top players from every school Hamilton has played. Hobson's biggest win came against Carleton, as he fought back to beat Matt Keillor in a third set tie-breaker, 6-7, 6-2, 7-6. The win decided the match in the 5-4 Hamilton victory. Jed Whitlock '98 has been solid at the #2 singles spot, also compiling a 4-3 record. Noteworthy is the fact that all his wins have come in straight sets, including dominant 6-1, 6-1; 6-0, 6-2; and 6-2, 6-2 wins over #2 players from Carleton, Carnegie-Mellon, and St. Thomas, respectively. Whitlock and Hobson have also combined to dominate at the 1st doubles position, achieving a 5-1 mark. Should their success continue, McElroy believes this tandem could be ranked in the Division III East region, or with some upsets, nationally ranked. Continuing down through the singles lineup, records demonstrate just how strong the team is. Sam Walker '96 has been more than consistent at #3 with a 5-2 record, Co-captain Chris Snyder '95 at #4 has been solid at 3-2, Seth Joyal '96 at #5 has reached .500 with a 3-3 record, and freshman sensation Jason Barnes has been virtually unbeatable at the #6 position, going 6-1. Barnes also won handily in his one match at #4 singles, beating Carnegie-Mellon's Michael Macedonia 6-1, 6-1. Sam Walker and Co-captain Rob Edwards '95 have also played great in the #3 doubles position, going 4-3. Also contributing to the team this year are Damon Lopez-O'Dwyer '98, Greg Nussbaum '98, and David Gould '98.



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Seth Joyal '96 has been a solid presence in the Continental lineup this spring, playing #5 singles and #2 doubles.

Hamilton continues its 22-match season this weekend in Maine with matches against nationally ranked Bates, Bowdoin, and Coast Guard Academy. McElroy says, "This weekend should set the tone for the rest of the season." She stresses the importance of these matches as preparation for three tough in-state rivals: Binghamton, Hobart, and Skidmore. McElroy says that despite the impressive 6-1 record, "It's important not to get too overconfident, especially against the weaker teams. This team has lots of potential."

Softball team sweeps Brandeis in doubleheader

Lourid, Ring, Foster lead team to convincing victories

By Greg Nussbaum '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

The 1995 Hamilton College women's softball team kicked off the spring season on an impressive 2-0 note, defeating a good 6-1 Brandeis team convincingly in a doubleheader 8-1 and 5-2.

Head coach Geri Knortz attributed the victory to two previous losses in exhibition games against Bravard College and Valencia Community College, two teams which have already played thirty games of an incredible ninety five game season. "The two exhibition games made us a better team and helped us to correct mental errors."

She also stated that, "the games made us focus to play everyone and gave us a chance to see live pitching, iron out our play execution and decision making." The team was lead by outfielder Michelle Pickett '96 who collected a team high four hits, five RBI's and three stolen bases in the two games versus Brandeis. She sported a lofty .667 batting average, and also played solid in the field.

PHOTO BY GABRIEL CID '97

The Women's Softball team is off to a fast start. They face RIT tomorrow in a doubleheader.

Coach Knortz was also pleased with the play of tri-captain Kristin Ring '96 who "turned out a great performance by fielding very well from the mound, taking hits away from the other team." Ring was impressive at the plate as well batting .375 with two RBI's while pitching a team high seven innings for the Continentals. Fleetfooted Bonnie Louridas '98 contributed by batting .333 with two runs scored and three stolen bases. Siobhan Williams '97 also played well batting at a .400 clip. Tri-captain Marsha Foster '95 was dominating from the mound, surrendering no earned runs in six innings pitched.

This year's Hamilton College squad is led by captains Marsha Foster '95, Julie Wolfe '95, and Kristin Ring '96. The outfield is solid with Kim Colvin '96, Bonnie Louridas '98 who can "flat out play", in the words of Coach Knortz, and Michelle Pickett '96 starting this spring. The infield is entirely new from last season and is anchored at third base by Siobhan Williams. Kerri Page '98, Gretchen Randall '98, Amy Palmieri '97, and Kristin Ring '96 will cover the rest of the infield. Randall and Marsha Foster '95 will split time behind the plate. Ring, Foster, and Page will see time at the mound for the continentals. Coach Knortz stated that her team is unique in that the trio of Randall, Ring, and foster rotate positions after every game.

The Continentals have some tough competition with the likes of New York State Division III powerhouses Russell Sage, Skidmore, and R.I.T. in doubleheader action in the first two weeks of April. Coach Knortz remained optimistic stating, "If we stay healthy we'll be tough."

She also stressed that her team can compete with any of the teams on the schedule, and that the team is continually gaining experience and confidence, especially after such a successful showing in Florida. Coach Knortz was concerned that her team may be vulnerable due to a lack of depth, and maintained that staying healthy is absolutely imperative.

The Continental's first home game is April 1st against R.I.T. Playoffs begin April 12th, but unfortunately Hamilton is not eligible for postseason play due to a Division III state rule requiring schools to abstain from athletic competition during designated school exam periods.

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